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Left, Laurie Gilbert prepares a cow to be milked at the Blake Farm. A regular milk customer of the farm, Gilbert has been pitching in to help since Brian Blake's accident on July 19. Above, Brian, before his accident, on a tractor with his granddaughter. A. Wight Chapman; submitted photo

Community steps up to aid injured farmer

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

Brian Blake of Bethel has a broken hip, a fractured pelvis, 50 staples closing a surgical incision in his torso—and 30 cows that have to be milked on time twice a day, no matter what.

Thanks to a lifetime of hard work, solid values, and a generous spirit, he also has a large group of family and friends eager to step in to help out in any way they can.

Ever since July 19, when Blake suffered a serious accident in his barn, people have been asking what they can do to pitch in.

Each morning and evening at 7:30, cars appear in the driveway of the dairy farm that has been in the Blake family for nearly

two centuries.

Willing workers file into the barn and get down to business, sterilizing the equipment, doling out grain, and preparing the cows to be milked.

Others have cut and baled the hay in the fields on both sides of Route 26, ensuring that the cows will be fed through the winter.

"It takes about six or eight people to fill Brian's shoes each day," said Seneca Corriveau, who arrived one afternoon last week with her husband Freeman to wrap the round hay bales for storage.

As soon as word of the accident began to get around, people began posting on social media, asking how they could help and where

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Greenwood Bicentennial Aug. 12-14

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

After nearly two years of work, the Greenwood Bicentennial Committee is putting the finishing touches on plans for the town's 200th birthday party, to be held Aug. 12 to 14.

The celebration kicks off on Friday evening with a fish fry at the Locke's Mills Fire Station, followed by a historical slide show at the Town Hall. Photographs from the Greenwood Historical Society's collection will document two centuries of local history.

On Saturday, the day begins with a pancake breakfast at the Locke Mills Union Church. The information booth at the Town Hall opens at 9:00, selling raffle tickets and chances for Cow Chip Bingo, Bicentennial t-shirts, and other commemorative items.

Throughout the day, the Town Hall will also host rug hooking demonstrations, mineral and art shows, and a silent auction of antique painted school desks and other works by local artists.

Across the street, both of the Greenwood Historical Society's houses will be open to the public all day. At 10:00, there will be a book launch and signing for Addison Verrill's

Greenwood, edited by Herbert Adams and Larry Glatz and published collaboratively by the Greenwood and Bethel Historical Societies.

The parade, which begins at 11:00, will take place on the Howe Hill Road, proceeding from the staging area at Mt. Abram past the ballfield at Dunham Park and concluding at the Locke's Mills Fire Station.

Spectators may line up anywhere along the approximately one-mile route to view the parade, which will feature floats, fire trucks, antique vehicles, uniformed marchers, historical re-enactors, the

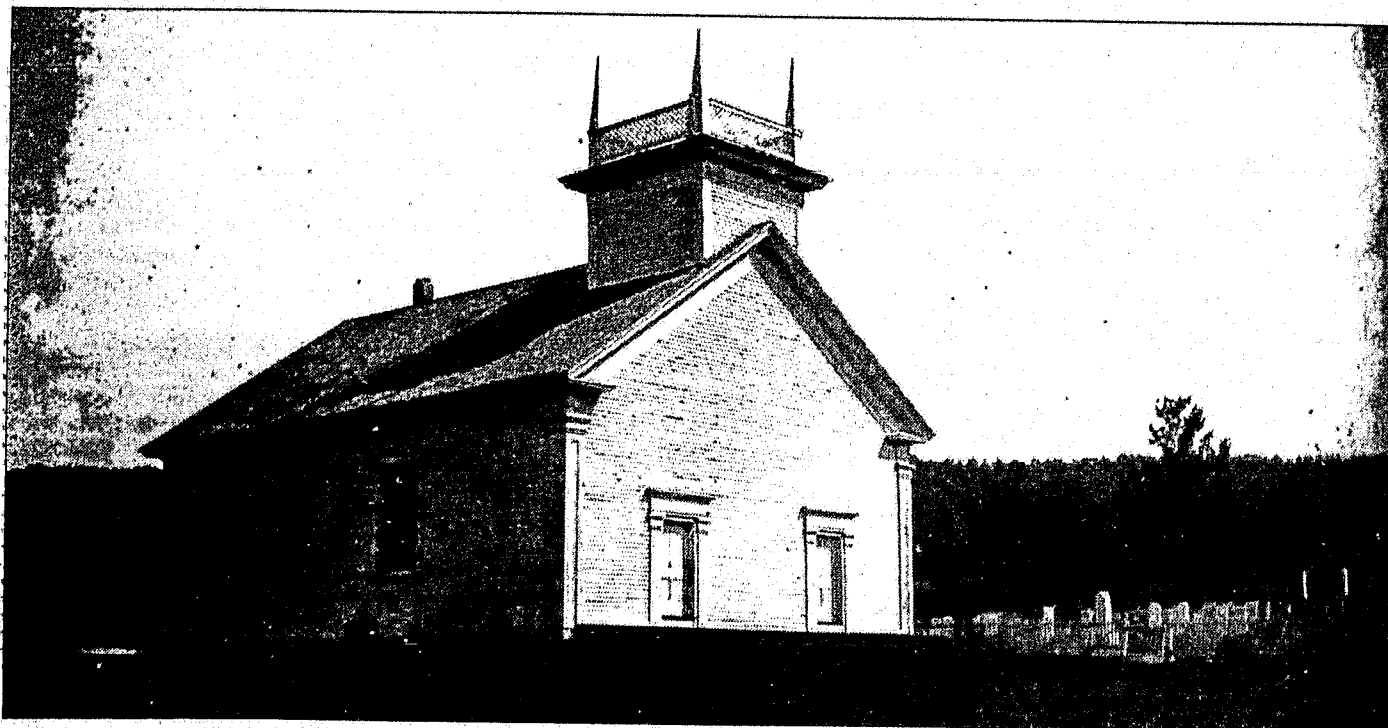
Kora Shrine Funsters, and three bands, including one playing music from the Civil War era.

There will be opening remarks and announcements at the Town Hall at noon, and highlights of the afternoon include concerts at the church and Town Hall, a book signing of Ghost Buck by local author Dean Bennett, a Civil War muster at the Legion Hall, and children's activities and a State Police Canine Unit demonstration at Dunham Park.

The Greenwood Historical Society will host a re-

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Middle Intervale Meetinghouse marks 200th anniversary Aug. 14



The Middle Intervale Meetinghouse in 1890.

By Randall Bennett
Executive Director
Bethel Historical Society

On Sunday afternoon, Aug. 14, beginning at 1:30 p.m., the 200th anniversary of Bethel's oldest meetinghouse structure will be celebrated with a free event open to the general public.

Begun in 1816, the Middle Intervale Meetinghouse was early known as the "Union Church" or "Center Meetinghouse" and originally financed by the local Methodists

and Baptists, as well as the Town of Bethel.

Until a town house was built closer to Bethel Hill in 1841, the meetinghouse served both religious and secular purposes, the latter stemming from its use as the site of town meetings on an annual basis.

The building experienced major remodelings in 1825 and in 1857, by which time the Baptists had assumed complete ownership of the structure. After suffering a long period of disuse and neglect, the meet-

inghouse was secured by a concerned group of local citizens and interested visitors who continue to preserve the building and utilize it for various social functions.

The Aug. 14 occasion will include a short talk on the history of the meetinghouse, a group sing-a-long of old time songs, and an ice cream social under the tent from 3 to 4 p.m.

The event is co-sponsored by the Middle Intervale Meetinghouse Society and the Bethel Historical Society. FMI: 207-824-2908.

Bethel Historical Society

Milton wind hearing Aug. 10

By ALISON ALOISIO

A public hearing on the substantive review of a petition submitted regarding removing Milton Township from the "expedited" review process for commercial wind projects is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 10 at the Bethel Inn.

It will include a day session beginning at 1 p.m. and an evening session beginning at 5:30 p.m., according to the website of the Maine Land Use Planning Commission.

BACKGROUND

The township, like others in Maine, is currently under the "expedited" (also known as fast track) permitting process format for commercial wind projects, bypassing a rezoning requirement step by the Land Use Planning Commission.

The LUPC is the planning authority for the unorganized territories/townships. Any wind project would still be reviewed by the Department of Environmental Protection.

But a new law allows UT residents to petition for removal of their township, or parts of it, from the expedited permitting process, thus adding the LUPC step.

A petition from Milton residents in January requested that, but subsequently another resident requested a "substantive review" of the petition. A comment period is now in effect.

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EverPower quizzed in Woodstock

By ALISON ALOISIO

A representative from EverPower Wind Holdings Inc. apologized Monday to about three dozen people who attended a Woodstock selectmen's meeting to hear about a possible wind project in nearby Milton Township.

Harry Benson, director of development for EverPower, said he was sorry that neighboring towns hadn't been contacted earlier in the company's feasibility study on whether a 9-to-12 tower wind project is worthwhile. (See related story above.)

Woodstock resident Marcel Polak, noting that Patriot Renewables Inc. had contacted Woodstock much earlier in its process to build the Spruce Mountain wind project, said a sense of trust and

transparency had been breached by the EverPower oversight.

In EverPower's defense, Juliet Browne, a lawyer representing the company, said EverPower had contacted the agency that has jurisdiction for Milton, the Land Use Planning Commission.

But others said the impact would be felt beyond Milton's borders and the neighboring towns should have been brought in earlier.

Some residents wanted to know what the financial benefit would be for Milton, given that taxes for unorganized territories go to the state. Benson estimated taxes would be between \$320,000 and \$400,000 a year.

But projects are also re-

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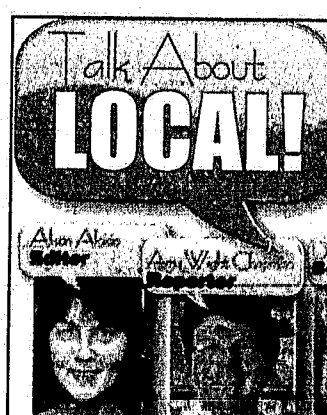
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Letters

KIDS TRIATHLON INFO

To the Editor:

Area residents are alerted that the 9th Annual Maine State Kids' Triathlon will take place this Saturday, Aug. 6, on North Road, at a new time - 11 a.m. Drivers should avoid or be extremely cautious in this area from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday. Please respect those directing traffic.

The untimed event for ages 8-14, starts and finishes at Angevine Park on the North Road. After the swim, the kids cycle to the airport and back, then they run up the Daisy Bryant Road and back. The triathlon consists of a 100-yard swim, a 3-mile bike ride, and a 1-mile run. Participants will receive a medal of participation. The registration fee is \$25.

Thanks to all of you who have volunteered to help make this race safe and fun for our young people.

FMI, including a map of the course and to register, see www.mainestatetriathlon.com/kids-tri. Day-of event registration is welcomed. To volunteer or questions, call Becky Secrest, 824-3813 or 754-8158.

Becky Secrest
Bethel Outing Club

AVOID CEMETERY EFFECT

To the Editor:

Jane Ryerson's letter last week underscores her lack of any understanding of historical legacies. She abruptly dismisses the historical significance of the Civil War soldier's monument and does not understand how the monument would be adversely affected by all kinds clusters of granite "tablets" with veteran's names on them. Remember the 1908 monument does not list all the Civil War veterans just "Bethel to her loyal sons, 1861-1865." She and others connected with the veteran's park planning process believe this will help future generations to have a greater understanding of history and appropriately honor all veterans. It is a worthy goal, but much too limited in its scope and possibilities.

My concept would really make a difference historically without diminishing our Civil War icon. My idea would be to simply have a granite monument in the back of the park honoring all veterans (no names). I would include perhaps four granite benches, a flag pole, and a podium with a glass "sleeve" containing information on a web-site where anyone visiting the park can through whatever electronic device they are using download all kinds of information on veterans from service records, obituaries, burial sites, letters written while in the service, photographs, etc. This is way beyond anything that names on granite can offer in honoring our veterans. It also can provide much more comprehensive historical experiences. Moreover, I think it is important to keep as much grassland as possible and enclosed in a cedar hedge to avoid the "cemetery effect." Remember this is supposed to be a park. Let's keep it simple and far less expensive and not burden future generations with more granite tablets.

Stan Howe
Bethel

ON 7/28 HOWE LETTER

To the Editor:

There is a significant difference between teaching history and actually being part of it.

Richard Grover
Mason

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community. The deadline is 4:30 p.m. Monday.

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ROUTE 5 CLOSED SUNDAY 8-11 FOR TRIATHLON

To the Editor:

Please join us in welcoming the athletes who will be swimming, biking, and running all around the Bethel area this Sunday during the 25th Maine State Triathlon. The course starts at 8 a.m. and finishes about 11 a.m. at The Bethel Inn Resort's Lake House on Songo Pond in Albany Township.

To help keep the triathletes, spectators, and volunteers safe, Route 5 will be closed from 8 a.m.-11 a.m. Sunday between the intersections of Mill Hill Road/Grover Hill Road and Vernon Street/Hunts Corner Road. Please avoid this area during this time except in case of emergency. For residents who must leave the area during that time, please do so without crossing through the area of The Bethel Inn Lake House. Travelers in the area of lower Main Street in Bethel may experience short delays as cyclists turn right onto it from Vernon Street, then left onto Railroad Street. Volunteer road guards will be positioned at key intersections to aid in navigation. Church-goers who would normally pass through these areas on Sunday morning should allow time to seek a different route.

For information, including course maps, road closures, registration, visit www.mainestatetriathlon.com. Contact the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce at 824-2282 or email info@bethelmaine.com with any questions.

Thanks to all community members for helping make the Maine State Triathlon a fun and safe event. If you see the athletes racing around the area, make sure to cheer them on!

Julia Reuter
Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

INPUT SOUGHT ON SENIORS ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES

To the Editor:

In the interest of providing more opportunities for older residents to engage in no-cost physical activity, especially during the winter months, Gould Academy has offered the use of the Bingham Gymnasium to area residents 50 and over. In order to determine the best times for the gym to be open, and to provide activities that people really want to participate in, please read the questions below. Then contact either Recreation Director, Sarah Tucker, at 824-2669 (recreationdirector@bethelmaine.org) or Jackie Cressy at 824-0508, (rivendel@megalink.net).

1. What activities would you be interested in? (Suggestions offered in conversations so far include pickleball, basketball, Qi Gong exercises, and even just having a place to walk briskly when the streets and sidewalks are icy.)

2. What time of day would you be most likely to use the gymnasium? (morning, afternoon, early evening?)

3. Would you be interested in leading/coordinating an activity? (The Recreation Director would handle registrations, but we would need someone to be responsible for opening and closing the gym for any particular activity and leading the activity.)

These same questions have been posted on the Team Bethel Facebook page, so you may also comment there.

Thanks!

Jackie Cressy
Bethel
for the Age-Friendly Community Initiative

NOT THE VALUES I SERVED TO DEFEND

To the Editor:

I have watched with dismay as Donald Trump continues to belittle the parents of a fallen Marine after they spoke at the Democratic Convention.

When the Navy swift boats and the Coast Guard 82-foot patrol boats evacuated Marines from the beaches of the Mekong Delta, no one asked the Marines their race, their religion, their sexual orientation or their political persuasion. They wore the uniform of the United States and were treated as brothers and mourned as brothers. No one asked if they voted for the war.

The Coast Guard I served in and country I swore to defend did not seek to build a wall on our borders, did not seek to ban immigration of entire classes, religions, and nationalities; and did not threaten to ignore long standing treaties or withdraw from global cooperation. The veterans I served with would chill at the thought of asking the Russian government to break into our communications systems.

When sailors go on shore leave and one of their shipmates is in difficulty and the shrill sound of the boatswain's pipe is heard, to a man the crew responds. Yet we now have a man who seeks to be Commander in Chief, belittling the mother of a fallen Marine, seeking to pit Muslim against Christian, encouraging racism and bigotry and condoning torture. These are not the values I served to defend, yet I see few political leaders stand up and speak out against them. I see fewer veterans' organizations taking a stand against them, so I'm sounding the bosun's pipe to alert all veterans that the values we served to defend are under assault. We cannot elect a Commander in Chief who wishes to take us down this road.

Don Bean
Bethel

Newry mine for sale at \$2.7 million

By Kathryn Skelton, Sun Media

In 1972, more than a ton of tourmaline was pulled from Plumbago Mountain.

But how much is left? That's for the new owner to find out.

The site of one of the world's largest tourmaline finds went up for sale this month — 2,222 acres with exclusive mining rights on 50 acres — with an asking price of \$2.7 million.

"I think it's a very intriguing and interesting project," said listing agent Kevin Fletcher at Malone Commercial Brokers. "If you go down and you dive in and you happen to strike a vein, there could be \$20 million, \$30 million sitting there."

Or, there could be lovely views and a whole lot of dirt.

That's the intrigue.

"There have been no bonanzas since 1972," said Carl Francis, curator at the Maine Mineral & Gem Museum opening next spring in neighboring Bethel. "There aren't very many (mine sites like this) so they don't turn over very often. So you could argue that this is a historic opportunity for someone to own a piece of property with a lot of history and some potential for future production."

That area of western Maine has been mined for more than 100 years. Three men explored in the right place on the Newry Hill spur in 1972, eventually unearthing more than 3.5 million carats of gem tourmaline, according to Cross Jewellers' extensive history on the discovery. The store has a prized 17-pound stone from the find encrusted with pink, green and bicolored tourmaline.

"When the mining season ended that first year in late November (1972), they had a ton of tourmaline crystals and specimens (stored) in the bank in Rumford,"

Francis said. "If you talk to the people who are mining tourmaline now ... when they find pockets, if they can measure the quantity in hundreds of carats or a couple of thousand carats, that's a significant find. This was a ton, a ton, of rough tourmaline — orders of magnitude larger than anything that had ever been found in Maine before."

Honeycombed from all that excavation and considered a potential hazard, the mine was blasted in 1974, according to Cross Jewellers' history.

Fletcher said the current listing took months to pull together, with several different owners involved: Ubrich2 LLC owns 1,762 acres, Northeast Trading Inc. owns 460 acres and Denney Properties Inc. owns the exclusive mineral rights to 50 acres that include the 1972 mine site. Also included in the sale is one-half interest in mineral rights on 436 acres.

The property's assessed at \$586,717 by the town.

The undeveloped land is now accessed by a several-miles-long dirt logging road. It hasn't been opened to the public for mining.

Exploratory work has continued right along, said Fletcher, who intends to market it internationally.

An excavation in 2009 uncovered tourmaline that ranged in size from 8 inches to almost 3 feet.

"I think the buyer profile is either somebody that is actively pursuing and seeking mines throughout North America or somebody that's got \$2 million to \$3 million and wants to own part of western Maine," Fletcher said. "At the end of the day, when are you going to ever get the chance to buy the most famous tourmaline mine in North America ever again?"



Our Back Pages

By Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Heavy downpours eroded a number of local roads. Amounts reported ranged from 3.5 to 5.9 inches.

An injured hiker from Connecticut was rescued by helicopter from Baldpate Mountain.

Births: Adrianna Grace Couture, Jackson Frederick Jagemann, Madison Rae Jones.

Deaths: Phyllis K. Coolidge, Herbert W. Durant, Jr.

20 years ago: Members of the Spring Street Dance Theater performed at the Maine Festival in Brunswick.

Natalie Timberlake received the 1996 Reading Recovery Award at a conference at the University of Maine.

Births: ShyeAnne Ashley Shannon, Jessie Mae Murch, Spencer James Morin Quiry.

Deaths: Richard C. Bennett, Vivian C. Daicy, Thomas J. Buckley, Orin W. Sprague, Jr.

30 years ago: An informational meeting on a proposed hydroelectric project for Umbagog and Richardson lakes was held at the Andover town hall.

Clark Bartlett of East Bethel was honored as Maine's Tree Farmer of the Year.

Birth: Zane Eric Howe. Deaths: R. Clyde Morgan, Alphonse J. Baker.

40 years ago: Margaret and Alfred Merrill sold the Red Lantern Restaurant (now the site of Bethel Auto Sales) to Harold Connors.

Birth: Tina Lynn Coolidge.

50 years ago: Jackie Brooks reigned as Miss Mollycockett at the 1966 Mollycockett Day Bazaar.

The work of clearing the site for the new SAD 44 junior-senior high school was being done by P.E. Dunn, Inc. of Poland.

Blake Mackay accepted the position of Electrical Inspector for Maine.

Deaths: Mrs. Rose G. Lowe, Frank W. Mayhew, Herman Fuller.

60 years ago: The old six-inch tile sewer pipe on the lower end of Paradise Street was being replaced with an eight-inch concrete pipe.

The events of Bethel's 8th annual bazaar attracted a good attendance. Booths on the common sold food, drinks, and fancy work, and following the parade a bean hole bean supper was served to 275 people.

Births: Helen and Herbert Kennison, Emery Alton Cameron, Jr.

Deaths: Laurence J. O'Leary, Jr., A/3c Richard R. Dragoon, Edward F. Briggs.

70 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Young purchased the building, known as the "boarding house" at Skillingston.

Death: William C. Bennett.

80 years ago: Mrs. John W. Staples of Auburn disappeared from a camp in Gilead.

The final surface was applied to the new road at South Bethel.

Archie Verville, railway agent at Bethel for 17 years, was transferred to the agency at Mechanic Falls.

Death: Fred Dunham.

90 years ago: Twenty-two summer residents of Bethel and surrounding towns and winter residents of Florida held a reunion and dinner at the Odd Fellows Hall, Bethel.

110 years ago: Misses Helen Bisbee, Edith Hastings, Agnes Barton, Margaret Whidden, Mollie Carter, and Gwendolyn Holt, G.A. class of '04, enjoyed a week's outing at camp Echo, Bryant's Pond.

A good number attended the ice cream festival held at the Universalist vestry in Andover.

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Greenwood history book launch is August 13

By Randall Bennett
Executive Director
Bethel Historical Society

On the bicentennial of its incorporation as a town in 1816, the Bethel Historical Society and Greenwood Historical Society are co-publishing "Addison Verrill's Greenwood," a compilation of local history focused on a series of 28 newspaper articles originally printed in the Oxford County Advertiser more than a century ago.

Verrill's detail-rich essays, now heavily annotated by photo, maps, and drawings, constitute a town history for this small western Maine farming community.

"In my boyhood, from 1845 to 1853, I lived in Greenwood City, except for about one year (1850 to 1851) when I lived at Locke's Mills," Verrill wrote in one essay. "I can remember very clearly every building in the place at that time, and most of the inhabitants. There were two stores, two taverns with large stables, etc., about six dwelling houses, a saw mill, in ruins after about 1849, a grist mill, a shingle mill, a school house and a church."

"It was situated on the main country road, at the intersection of cross roads, and in those days it was a stopping place for the stage coaches and for numerous teams,

usually with six or eight horses that carried goods from Portland to all the towns along this route, northward to Canada, for it was at about the right distance from Portland for them to stop during the second night, summer and winter. This gave considerable traffic and was the main support of the two taverns, as they were called. The water power was at the outlet Hicks Pond, which was originally about a mile long and half a mile wide, but its size had then been increased by the dam at the bridge across the outlet. The dam had disappeared in 1880, and the pond was correspondingly small. Before the surrounding forests of pine and other timber were cut off, the water power was ample for mills, but as the clearing continued it was apt to fail in summer, with the wasteful water-wheels then in use."

A 15-year effort

The book project began some 15 years ago when Larry Glatz, one of the book's co-editors (the other, Herbert Adams, has written a fascinating sketch of Verrill's life that appears at the front of the volume.) Of the many people who have contributed information and images to the book, perhaps none were as generous as Addison Verrill's great-granddaughter, Christine Smith-Byerly of Hous-

ton, Texas; Christine was particularly generous in sharing family records, and in gathering and coordinating information with other Verrill family descendants—most especially with Eunice (Ver-

of William F. Chapman, who wears various hats as he performs his numerous duties with the Bethel and Greenwood Historical Societies and at the Shaker Library in New Gloucester. Will's abilities

publication of the Greenwood history have been provided by the Bethel Historical Society, the Greenwood Historical Society, Randall H. Bennett, Rexford L. Martin, Christine Smith-Byerly, and another Verrill great-grandchild, Richard G. Smith of Northborough, Mass. An anonymous contribution was received in honor of Theodora Robinson Jenness (1846-1935), Greenwood's almost but not quite forgotten authoress, who was herself a cousin of Addison E. Verrill.

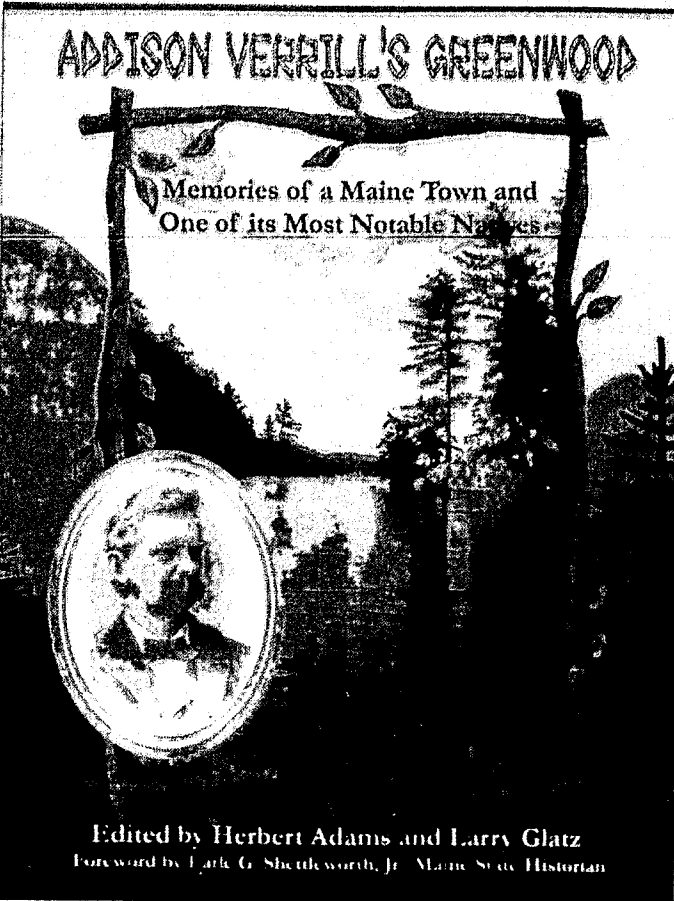
Some of the titles on the original Verrill articles include: Greenwood City in the Forties; Early Settlers; Preacher Yates; Diseases & Doctors; Manners & Customs; Reasons for Locating; Academy Grant; Temperance; Verrill Homestead; Early Town History; School Days; Furlongs; Roads; Blockhouse; Hilly Roads; Simeon Sanborn; Tragic Deaths; Over-set Stories; Paul Wentworth; Bennett; Village Characters; Greenwood City; Mills; Sports; Minerals; Labor; Customs; Forest Industries; Rarity of Crime; Family Traits; Garland Families; Herrick Families; Store Keepers.

Included in the second half of the fully-indexed, 276-page book are a number of valuable appendices, a selection of which carry the following titles: The Man; Addison Emery Verrill; The Town; Green-

wood and its Histories; Addison Verrill on the original Verrills; "The Road Measurer," a story about "Cousin Addison"; Sixteen pages of rare Verrill family photographs; Historical Overview, by Randall H. Bennett; Plantation Records; Petition for Incorporation as a town; The Greenwood City Fire, 1862; Recollections of Greenwood City by Dr. N.T. True (1869); Recollections of Locke's Mills, by "Index;" "Reminiscences of Greenwood" by "Mark Tapley" (1884, 1890); Excerpts from O.N. Bradbury's Norway in the Forties (1887, 1891); "By Sanko" and the Nova Scotia Roughnecks; Early Family Records; Early Settlers and Census Records, 1800 - 1860; Greenwood Veterans of Early Wars; Greenwood's Revolutionary War Veterans; Greenwood's Veterans of the War of 1812; and Greenwood's Civil War Veterans.

The book will be available at the Greenwood Historical Society on Main Street, Locke's Mills village, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The two editors will sign copies from 10-11 a.m.

Starting on Tuesday, Aug. 16, the book will be available in the Bethel Historical Society's Museum Shop at the Robinson House (10-4, Tuesday-Friday, and 1-4 Saturdays through Aug.), and online at bethelhistorical.org.



ton, Texas; Christine was particularly generous in sharing family records, and in gathering and coordinating information with other Verrill family descendants—most especially with Eunice (Ver-

The final book layout has been under the care

with electronic imaging and formatting, his design skills and—perhaps most importantly—his conscientiousness have been critically important throughout the progress of this work.

Funds to help support

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union for all those who attended the Locke's Mills School, as well as their family and friends, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Cow Chip Bingo takes place at Dunham Park at 3 p.m., and a chicken barbecue at the Legion Hall runs from 4 to 7 p.m., with winners of the silent auction announced at 5 p.m.

A dance at Mt. Abram from 7 to 11 p.m. will feature the music of the Shadagee Ramblers, and the fireworks display will take place at 9 p.m.

Sunday's events include an old-fashioned church service at the Locke Mills Union Church at 9 a.m. and an open house at the Greenwood Historical Society all day.

Local businesses celebrate

Local businesses have enthusiastically joined in to help the town observe its birthday, purchasing ad space in the keepsake Bicentennial program, creating floats for the parade, and helping to generate excitement about the celebration.

Maine Line Products created a display showing the history of the site of their store, from its early days as a small gas station with a service bay for car repairs, through its decades as Hathaway's Country Store, to the present day.

The crew at Maine Line Products will be serving free hot fudge sundaes from 11

a.m. until 3 p.m. on Aug. 13, as well as free tastes of the official Bicentennial fudge flavor, blueberry cheesecake, which will be for sale at the store.

Mountain Mowing & More, located in the same building, will sell popcorn, drinks, hamburgers, hot dogs, and all the fixings in the parking lot that day.

At The Local Hub, an exhibit of captioned photographs provided by the Greenwood Historical Society documents the history of the village of Locke's Mills.

"People are really enjoying seeing them," said co-owner Dara Turgeon, who said she was looking forward to helping the town celebrate its 200th birthday.

The Hub will be open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. during the weekend of the Bicentennial Celebration, offering its full menu of breakfast, lunch, and dinner items, daily specials, and freshly made baked goods.

Northern Roots Grow Supply will be open all weekend, and co-owner Janet Bartlett is coordinating local craft and produce vendors for a farmers' market on Main Street.

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Blake

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they could donate money to help the Blakes with expenses. Andrea Gunther, a longtime family friend, started a GoFundMe campaign last week, raising over \$5,000 in the first five days.

"I heard something crack" Until two weeks ago, the last time Blake took a day off from the farm was in October of 2003, when he had an opportunity to go moose hunting for a couple of days.

Before that, he said, "I had two days off once when I cut my finger off."

That all changed on that Tuesday morning when he went to the barn to start the morning milking.

One of his cows had given birth to a calf a few days earlier and had been having trouble standing. Blake was using a special sling apparatus to support her hind legs and keep her upright in her stall.

When he arrived in the barn that morning, he discovered that the cow, which had seemed the day before to be recovering, was still not able to stand on her own and needed additional support.

Working alone, as usual, he placed a strap under her chest to winch her to a standing position. He was in the process of lifting her with a second sling, intended to take weight off all four of her legs, when he lost his grip and went over backwards onto the concrete floor.

"I heard something crack," he said.

He lay motionless on the barn floor, gradually realizing that he was seriously hurt.

"I've always refused to carry a cell phone with me," Blake said. "I might rethink that now."

After what he estimates was at least 20 minutes, he steered his nerves against the pain and began crawling to the front of the tie stalls, where he was able to use first the metal bars of the stalls, then the milk line, to drag himself the length of the barn.

Emerging into the calf barn, he looked out the door just in time to see his wife Christine's car disappearing down the driveway as she left for work.

After remembering to turn off the hot water to the pipeline washer ("I couldn't just leave it running," he said), he dragged himself out onto the steps, where he sat for a while and tried to figure out how he could make his way from the barn to the house.

"There was an empty 15-gallon fuel can next to me, and I used that and a garden fork to lean on," he said.

Using the makeshift crutches, he slowly made his way across the driveway, down two or three steps, and into the house, where he called Christine at work.

She wanted to call an ambulance immediately, but he insisted that she drive him to the hospital in her car instead.

What about the cows?

At the emergency room at Stephens Memorial Hospital, medical personnel were taken aback by the extent of his injuries.

"I had an x-ray and an MRI, and while they were looking at it, Christine heard one of them say, 'Come take a look at this!'" Blake remembered.

"They told me I was too busted up for them to be able to help me there, and they sent me down to Portland [to Maine Medical Center] by ambulance."

He had fractured both his pelvis and hip. The socket that holds the ball joint of his hip was split in two through the middle, he said.

While plans were being made for Blake to have surgery the next day, he was thinking about the farm, worrying about his cows and how they would be milked and fed.

The 40 animals that comprise his breeding stock are milked for about ten months out of a year, with a break during the last two months of gestation.

At feeding time, each cow receives a different measure of grain, depending on where she is in the breeding cycle and how much milk she is producing.

It's information that Blake normally keeps entirely in his head, but now needed to pass on to his older daughter, Courtney, who, along with Jeff Springer, a former employee and dairy farmer from Waterford, stepped in to do the milking on the day of the accident.

At the hospital, he did a mental run-through of the lines of stalls, recalling which cow was in each and what its feed requirements were.

"I remembered all 40," he said.

Emphasis on family Blake grew up in the home where he still lives, and took over the farm from his father at the age of 22. He said he had always planned to farm, but thought he would probably keep beef cattle, rather than dairy cows.

That switch never happened, although he does raise a few beef cattle for family members each year. Instead, despite the commitments and challenges of keeping a dairy herd, he has continued the family tradition.

"You know, they say the best way to make a small fortune farming is to start with a big one," he joked, adding, "I'll do it till the day I drop."

In family farming, the emphasis is on family, especially in times of adversity.

Blake's brother, sister, and a cousin all live close by, on property adjacent to the farm on the Chandler Hill Road, and have all been helping out since the accident.

Daughter Courtney, who lives in Bethel, continues to head up the milking brigade during her father's

recovery.

She knows her way around the dairy barn, having done the milking once a day on a regular basis for several years, until her daughter, Harper, was born two years ago.

Her sister, Mallory, who, with her husband, Ben McLeod, recently returned to live on the farm, was less familiar with the process, but was eager to help.

"My youngest daughter never milked a cow in her life, but she's milking now," Blake said, adding that Mallory had also created a computerized schedule for those who have volunteered to help with the chores.

"What goes around comes around"

Blake's broken hip and pelvis were repaired using "one round plate and a bunch of screws," he said. With the classic stoicism of a farmer, he got off the prescribed pain medication as soon as possible.

"The doctor came in the next day and said I was ahead of anyone else he'd ever worked on," he said, attributing his ability to heal quickly to being in good shape from a lifetime of hard work on the farm.

Blake's doctors have told him it will be eight to 12 weeks before he can bear his weight. That's a lengthy sentence for someone not used to sitting still for long, but he has been cheered by the many visits and phone calls he has received as he recovers.

He and Christine have both been overwhelmed by the support of family and friends, including people they grew up with, fellow farmers, and even customers who visit the farm to buy raw milk, like Laurie Gilbert of Greenwood, who, Blake said, "has been showing up every morning to milk."

"Geoff Gaudreau, Scott Hynek, Patrick Moore—there are too many to list them all," he said of friends who have been helping out at the farm.

Freeman Corriveau has been indispensable, both for his dedication and for his knowledge of the farm's operations.

"Freeman knows how to do everything I do," Blake said. "He knows all my routines."

For Corriveau, helping out at the Blake farm is a matter of both friendship and paycheck.

"I had my own near-death experience last November," he said, when a dump truck tire he was repairing exploded in his face, sending him to the hospital and putting him out of work.

"Brian helped me out for a month when that happened," Corriveau said.

To contribute to the Blake Farm Fund via GoFundMe, visit the Team Bethel Facebook page or use this link: www.gofundme.com/2gevk9fv

Milton

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A wind power company, EverPower Maine LLC, recently put up a meteorological test tower in the area of Bryant and Chamberlain mountains in Milton to gather information for a potential project, prompting local concerns. Parts of Woodstock, Greenwood and Bethel are near the location.

Some residents worry about the visual, noise and environmental impact of a potential wind development, and the selectmen of Greenwood and Woodstock have written letters to the LUPC favoring removal of Milton from the expedited process.

But EverPower has defended the DEP process, saying it is very comprehensive and public, and that it takes at least 185 days.

The schedule for the hearing will be as follows:

- 1 p.m. - Opening statements by the Presiding Officer and LUPC staff
- 1:15 to 2:30 - Presentation by the persons requesting substantive review (Requestors)
- 2:30 to 3:45 - Presentation by the petition Circulators
- 3:45 to 4:45 - Public testimony
- 4:45 to 5:30 - Break
- 5:30 p.m. - Opening statement for evening session
- 5:45 p.m. - Resume public testimony
- Closing statement by the Presiding Officer

For more details on the process go to www.maine.gov/dacf/lupc/projects/wind_expedited_area/substantive_review/milton_twp/2016-07-11_PublicNotice_MiltonHearing_Web.pdf

Woodstock

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quired as part of the "tangible benefits" portion of Department of Environmental Protection permitting to pay money to the municipality where the project is located, to be used locally.

Benson said it is a very complicated process, and company representatives had met with Oxford County officials about channeling the money locally. Browne said it could be designated in specific ways to benefit Milton.

Benson also said there could be local projects, such as for snowmobile clubs or baseball teams, funded by the company and requested/approved by the community.

Woodstock resident Peter Fetchko asked by what route power generated by the turbines would be transmitted to existing power lines.

Benson said that had not yet been determined, but the nearest lines are less than a mile from the project. "We're working on how to get there," he said.

He was also asked about "good neighbor" arrangements being negotiated with individual property owners in and around the project area, and whether any monetary compensation for individuals could be disclosed. Benson said the individuals could be disclosed if they wished, but the company would not.

He said the company is talking to all property owners within a mile of the project as a route for a transmission line is studied.

T.L. MaGee wondered if the wind project would be viable without the help of government subsidies.

"It's getting close," replied Benson. He said other energy industries, including gas, coal and nuclear, also receive subsidies in various forms. He said wind is now reaching "parity" with those industries in energy pricing.

Also discussed was the value of removing Milton from the expedited permitting process. Browne said even with the expedited process in place, the DEP process is a lengthy and thorough one, and includes such steps as two-year studies of impacts on bats, birds and other wildlife.

"It's not a truncated process," she said.

But some residents disagreed, saying that removing Milton from the expedited process would allow factors to be considered that otherwise might not be.

A formal public hearing on the Milton wind issue is scheduled for Aug. 10 at 1 p.m. at the Bethel Inn.

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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

From the TWIST archives:

An elderly relative who recently moved from California to Maine is faced with having to take a driving test to get her Maine license. She has been driving for over 60 years and feels quite confident in her ability to drive. However, the Maine requirement of being able to parallel park to pass the test has made her a nervous wreck.

I can certainly understand that. My street is part of the route for the Driver's License Exam for this area so I see a lot of nervous looking people, mostly teens driving down my street. The examiners don't have them parallel park on my street because it is one-way, but I often see them attempting to do it right around the corner. I have come to the conclusion that parallel parking as a requirement to obtaining a driver's license is nothing more than a form of driving test torture perpetrated by the State of Maine and sadistic license examiners.

Now, be honest, after you got your driver's license, how many times have you attempted to parallel park? I'm sure the answer from most people would be very few. In my case it is none and I have had my license for a good many years. In my elderly relative's case, she can't even remember because it's been so long.

It's pretty rare when you do see someone attempting to parallel park. In fact, now that I think about it, the only people I have seen actually par-

allel parking are in cars with "Student Driver" on the roof or with a Driving Examiner sitting in the passenger seat.

There was a time, before shopping centers when parking spaces were in scarce supply and parallel parking was necessary. But that was a long time ago. Shopping centers are surrounded by many acres of parking and there are parking lots and multi-level parking garages all over the place. There is probably more square footage devoted to parking cars than there is to housing people. Parallel parking is definitely passé.

So why is a driver's license contingent on one's ability to do something they will probably never do again? A far better test of a person's driving skills would be to have them drive through any city at 5:10 p.m., the peak of rush hour. If they make it through without an accident or resorting to profanity, they pass the test.

I think being able to park your car in a tight spot is a good skill to have, but I really don't think it should be a license requirement. More time could be spent, however, emphasizing the use of one's directional signals. This seems to me to be the easiest aspect of operating a vehicle. A simple touch of a lever and you let other drivers know your turning intentions. Yet, it absolutely amazes me how many people fail to perform this little act of courtesy.

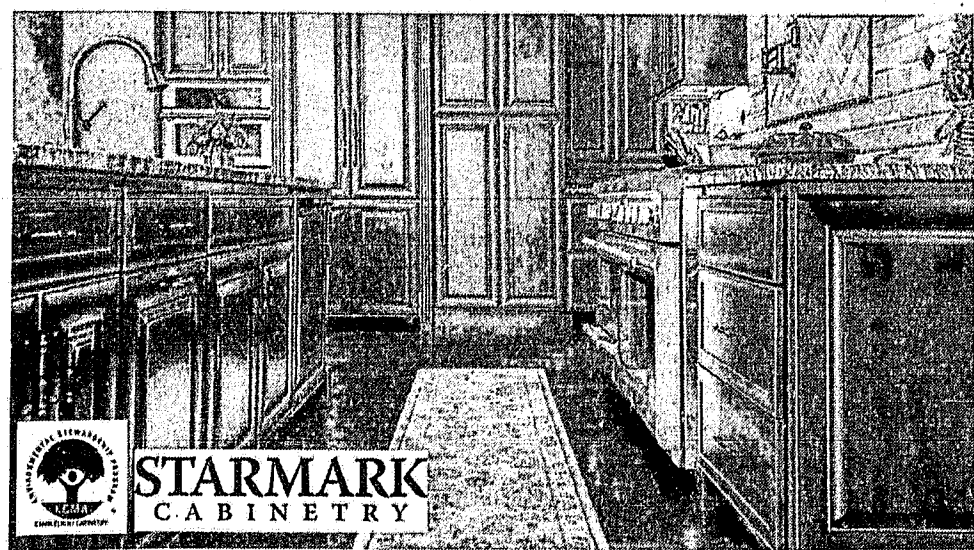
It's not like it was in the era before automatic directionalals when a driver had to roll down the window, stick their arm out, no matter what the weather and frantically wave their intentions to turn. Now all one has to do is flick a switch and they will spare themselves a lot of one-finger salutes from their fellow motorists. It's no big deal, I just don't understand why every driver doesn't signal.

I also don't understand why every driver doesn't stop for pedestrians. Have they never been pedestrians trying to cross a street themselves? Question: Why did the pedestrian not cross the road? Answer: Because no cars would stop and let them get to the other side.

Don't get me wrong. There are people who do stop and even smile as they wave pedestrians across. They do this with such ease that you just know they do it all the time and you can be pretty sure they also signal when they are going to make a turn. I'd like to send these folks a thank-you card.

I may not be a driving force in motor vehicle courtesy reform, but I do use my directional signals and I do stop for pedestrians. The way I see it if I don't get hit by a car as I cross the street and live long enough that I may have to take another driving test, just maybe by then the examiners will focus on courtesy and forget about parallel parking.

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Lakes Association holds annual meeting

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

About 40 people attended the recent annual meeting of the Western Maine Community Lakes Association, held at the Greenwood Town Hall.

Property owners from North, South, and Round Ponds, Lake Christopher, Shagg Pond, and Songo Pond were represented. The association, which formed in 1986, also monitors Twitchell Pond, Indian, Hicks, and Mud Ponds in Greenwood and Concord Pond in Woodstock.

CLA President Collin Campbell opened the meeting, and Treasurer Susan Pundt gave the treasurer's report.

The majority of expenses in 2015, more than \$18,000, resulted from the battle against milfoil in Lake Christopher and Shagg Pond. The association received a state grant of nearly \$13,000 to combat the invasive plant, as well as a \$2,500 donation from Spruce Mountain Wind and an additional nearly \$2,000 in milfoil-designated donations, \$1,000 from the town of Woodstock and the remainder from individual donors.

Vice President Glen Langley explained proposed changes to the bylaws, which expand the association's board of directors to up to seven members in addition to the four elected officers, and change the process for electing officers.

In the past, all four officers have been elected to two-year terms at the same time. Beginning this year, two officers will be elected every other year.

Harriet Langley was elected as secretary, and Pundt was re-elected as treasurer.

At a regular meeting of the executive committee, the officers will elect committee chairs, who will become members of the board of directors.

Pond reps, loon counters, water testers

Susan Staples, co-chair of the membership committee, described several volunteer opportunities available to members.

Pond representatives serve as ambassadors for each pond monitored by the association.

As a pond representative, Staples said, "You share information with your neighbors, and bring information back to the board about things that might be happening on your pond that you think might be of interest."

The Maine Audubon Loon Count takes place on Maine lakes each year on the third Saturday of July, when about a thousand volunteers across the state rise early to count the number of adult loons and loon chicks on their assigned body of water.

They return a completed form to Maine Audubon, which tallies the statewide results.

Those wishing to participate in next year's Loon Count can visit the Maine Audubon website or email

wildlife biologist Susan Gallo at sgallo@maineaudubon.org for information.

A third volunteer opportunity, conducted through the Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program, trains, certifies, and supports hundreds of citizens who gather and report a variety of data pertaining to lake health.

Volunteer water quality monitors attend VLMP training in spring or early summer and receive equipment for testing the clarity of their lake twice monthly throughout the summer and early fall.

Lake Smart program

A decline in clarity usually means an increase in algae suspended in the water, a red flag indicating that a lake may be becoming enriched with the nutrient phosphorus, due to storm water runoff from disturbed or developed areas of its watershed.

Glen Langley said phosphorus enrichment and the resulting excess algae is one of the most serious potential problems facing Maine lakes.

Called "cultural eutrophication," if allowed to persist, it could potentially lead to algae blooms like the one currently affecting Florida's Lake Okeechobee, which is surrounded by farmland and receives runoff laced with phosphorus from fertilizer.

The algae bloom, and the release of water from the lake, which then flowed to both coasts, has caused health hazards and closed beaches, damaging the tourism economy.

"They say the view is terrible, looking at the stuff, and the smell is even worse," Langley said of the situation in Florida.

Here in Maine, Lake Auburn, the Belgrade Lakes, and Roxbury Pond have recently experienced algae blooms, he said.

"The green-blue algae is also called cyanobacteria," he said, "and it is very hazardous to animals, especially dogs."

To help educate waterfront property owners and promote lake health, the CLA participates in the Maine Lakes Society's LakeSmart program.

At the request of property owners, trained volunteers use a scoresheet to assess "how friendly your property is to the lake."

Bill and Kristin Martin of Cambridge, Mass. have owned property on Lake Christopher for about five years. They underwent the LakeSmart program's voluntary assessment the day before the CLA's annual meeting.

They said the process, which entailed filling out a form and hosting a visit to their property by CLA, was easy and worthwhile.

They will receive a report on the findings of the assessment, including suggestions of ways to minimize their property's impact on the water quality of the lake.

A positive score on two thirds of the items on the assessment qualifies participants for a LakeSmart award, which can be posted on their property to indicate that the owner is "Living lightly on the land for our lake's sake."

There is no charge to property owners for the LakeSmart assessment.

Milfoil report

Reporting on the ongoing battle against invasive milfoil in local ponds, Pundt told members, "There is very good news from Lake Christopher. The cove has just a few plants left in it, and the outlet pond has a significantly decreased amount."

She said milfoil in Shagg Pond "is an ongoing issue. I think they've made some progress, but it's not as robust as they would like, so the focus of this year's campaign is going to be Shagg Pond."

Lake Christopher and Shagg Pond are the only lakes monitored by the CLA in which the presence of milfoil has been detected.

A new mandate from the state and OSHA requires increased safety measures for the divers hired by the association to combat milfoil.

"We had to purchase communications equipment, and we will have to significantly increase the number of people," Pundt said.

"It used to be that we could have a three-man crew, but now we have to have a five-man crew, because OSHA requires two tenders to constantly observe the divers. So that's going to increase our budget significantly to continue to do as much as we have done."

Fortunately, Pundt said, the state has increased its milfoil funding to the CLA, and the towns of Greenwood and Woodstock have also increased their contributions.

In addition, she said, the association has received private donations to help offset the increased cost of milfoil eradication efforts.

State Senator John Patrick gave the keynote address.

He said clean water is vital to preserving Maine's quality of life, as well as its tourism economy, and programs aimed at water quality have historically been underfunded at the state level.

He supports comprehensive tax reform to overhaul Maine's "antiquated tax system" and provide adequate funding in critical areas like the milfoil control program.

"I have been educated sitting here, just listening to some of the issues that have been brought up, and that's a great thing," he said.

The Western Maine Community Lakes Association encourages area residents to become members, whether or not they own waterfront property. For more information, visit the association's Facebook page or their website, communitylakesassociation.org.

Briefly

Tri-County Baseball again headed to World Series

REGION-The Tri-County Babe Ruth Baseball Team won 12-2 last week over Connecticut at a game played in Harrison to advance to the World Series. They are the 2016 Maine State 14U Champs and the 2016 New England 14U Champions, and will represent New England in the World Series Aug. 11-18 in Massachusetts. A Go Fund Me page has been established to help with expenses. Last year the Tri-County team advanced to the national championship game, where they finished as runnersup. This week Woodstock selectmen approved \$1,000 to help with travel expenses.

From the OCSD

Patrol Log

Tuesday, July 26

At 11:55 a.m. Deputy Derek MacDonald received a threat complaint from Bethel. The incident was under investigation.

At 1:41 a.m. Deputy Josh Aylward took a report of a possible intoxicated driver on Railroad Street in Bethel.

Thursday, July 28

At 7:30 a.m. Deputy Mike Fitzmorris conducted a radar detail on Mason Street in Bethel after complaints of speeders. No violations were observed.

At 12:07 p.m. a Mason Street, Bethel, resident reported a theft of items from an unlocked vehicle. An investigation was ongoing.

Friday, July 29

At 9:55 a.m. Sgt. Matt Baker responded to a complaint of breaks in the Bethel area.

Saturday, July 30

At 11:07 p.m. Deputy Steve Witham responded to a residence on High Street in Bethel for a report of a theft. The incident was under investigation.

Sunday, July 31

At 7:55 a.m. Deputy Derek MacDonald responded to a report of a vehicle all over the road on the West Bethel Road in Bethel. Rhonda Welch, 33, of Rumford was charged with violating conditions of release and operating after suspension.

Monday, Aug. 1

At 10:22 a.m. Deputy Derek MacDonald investigated a fraud complaint on Main Street in Bethel.

From the OCSD

Jail Log

July 29, 10:10 a.m.: Scott J. Davis, 31, of Aylesford, N.S., failure to stop for an officer, driving to endanger, speeding 30+, attempting to elude an officer; by Trooper Jason Wing in Hanover.

July 29, 10:43 a.m.: Stephen B. Dusyk, 35, of Greenwood, N.S., driving to endanger, failure to stop for an officer, attempt to elude an officer, speeding 30+.

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By DON BENNETT



Bridge work progress

This week concrete was poured into the bridge's southbound lane. Summer traffic lineup waiting for green lights sometimes stretches back as far as Norway Savings Bank and to the Briar Lea on the north side. However the traffic light system has worked consistently and waiting time is reasonable.

Bethel Furniture Stock

This week I discovered a photo taken at the time the Bethel Area Development Corp's Industrial Committee officially welcomed Roger Favreau's purchase of West Bethel land and construction of what would be the Bethel Furniture Stock mill in West Bethel. By week's end the photo had reached over 680 people who saw the photo on the Bethel Journals Facebook page.

In September of 1958 Mr. Favreau had broken ground for his new mill in West Bethel. The original building still stands. In August 1959, expansion at the furniture stock plant included construction of three 13x34 foot kilns, a 40x52 foot temperature shed, 20x40 foot boiler room, and an office building. In February of '59 there had been a fire in the boiler room. Later during Leon Favreau's mill ownership, Bethel Furniture Stock became at least for a time the only furniture stock producer in the country capable of the shaping furniture stock with "pre-compression" techniques using equipment he had obtained from Denmark. More about this next

week.

Vacationland

In 1936 in the middle of the Depression, Maine came out with its new Vacationland license plates for passenger cars. The plates had white lettering on a black base; for 1937 the plates had white lettering on a green base. Different Internet sources have displays of these early Vacationland plates.

Farmington attorney, Paul Mills, identified the originator of the Maine House 1935 bill to add Vacationland to Maine license plates as a native of Prince Edward Island who owned a summer camp in the northern Moosehead Lake area. Mr. Mills' July 9, 2014 article is on the Internet at <http://www.dailybulldog.com/FranklinCountynews>. He also wrote that Maine's "Vacationland" holds the "world's longevity record for a license plate promotional slogan."

Bethel's "vacationland" received its most important boost from Bethel being a stop on the Portland to Montreal Grand Trunk Railroad. It's hard to visualize today but steamship passenger service from Boston and New York City to Portland was also a key factor in vacation travel for those coming to the Bethel and Newry area.

While Wallace Kilgore, who owned the Poplar Tavern in North Newry from 1901 on, advertised how a New Yorker could leave "From New York the most popular and enjoyable route is the Maine Steamship Line." During July and August one of these steamships would leave daily from pier 38, East River at 3 p.m. Round trip tickets to the Poplar Tavern (Hotel) were available at reduced rates.

During the years of Bethel area boarding house farms, the property owners scheduled popular

activities for their guests: picnic trips, hikes, swimming and mountain climbing. Travel was by horse drawn coaches and wagons. Hotels like the Bethel Inn and Poplar Tavern began to see a decline in their profitability as automobiles took over from railroads. This was due to the change from week long or longer stays by the railroad traveler as opposed to the overnight stay by the automobile traveler. This led to more camps being built and fewer guest services such as dining rooms and dining staff which the hotels offered. Motels that followed the camp era became even less expensive to maintain. But in the case of the Kellogg Camps in North Newry, the camps were sold to individuals and families who came regularly each year.

After World War II winter vacations increasingly were made attractive by the development of ski areas like Sunday River and Mount Abram. Before 1940 individual camps and hotels or inns had replaced the old farm boarding houses. As owners passed on as for instance in the case of the Valentine Farm their guests had to seek new accommodations. Pretty much through the 1940s, longtime guests returned each year to the Bethel Inn. Some came in a chauffeured Rolls Royce with the chauffeur and car housed at the Bethel Inn garages. Others came by train to be met at the station by an Inn station wagon and driver. Many of these guests stayed at the Straw House (later renamed The Elms) with its large rooms.

Overall it seems difficult to draw any real connection between the promotional license plate slogan of Vacationland in terms of a favorable impact on tourist business, seasonal or otherwise. For the greater

Bethel area, skiing and biking have probably had a much greater favorable impact than the Vacationland license plate.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



Finally, as I am writing this, there is some much needed rain. Do hope it will keep raining for some time to help with the fire danger and also help replenish wells.

Summer is going by fast. It is time again for school shopping, Trapper's Weekend and all the yard sales during that weekend... all of it squeezed in between fun going swimming and other summer activities. Please, call

507-1008 or e-mail heinrichcracker@gmail.com with your news and other information.

The Locke Mills Church will have the annual Blueberry Festival this Saturday, Aug. 6. Starting at 7 a.m. they will serve breakfast and varied baked goods and berries will be for sale. Do hope many of you will be able to attend.

West Bethel

By KAREN PAUL



After hearing a number of folks comment about hiking Maggie's Nature Trails in Greenwood, Gerry and I drove the silver Tundra down 26 to see what all the fuss was about. The park-

ing lot and trails were easy to find along the Greenwood Road a little over a mile from Locke Mills Village. A trail map posted at the site helped us. We chose the yellow trail. The trail is also known as the Peaked Mountain Trail and rewarded us with a view of Twitchell Pond at the top. The hike was moderately easy; we mostly trundled along a wooded path with zigs and zags to keep erosion at a minimum. Although the evening air was hot, we called the hike a great experience and plan to return.

Maggie's gift of the mountain is just one small token of what she meant to me. Please read on:

Ode to the Life of Margaret Long Ring
The day of this spunky red-headed child's birth, Was reason to celebrate

Foothills Land Trust works to buy Greenwood mountain

By Christopher Cousins/Sun Media

The Western Foothills Land Trust is in the process of acquiring Noyes Mountain, though it appears the Norway-based conservation group will have to find alternative financing to meet the seller's \$307,000 price by October.

Though the organization is optimistic the sale will eventually go through, Executive Director Lee Dassler said a missed payment may trigger an automatic price increase.

"Who'd have thought it would be so hard to buy a mountain?" Dassler said in a recent interview in her Norway office.

For years, artists and photographers have depicted Noyes Mountain, which serves as a picturesque backdrop to Penneesseewassee Lake. The land trust covets what's less visible and may take years — and tens of thousands of dollars — to create: a trail system for hikers and bikers.

The project would set aside 295 acres from development, with plans to carve recreation trails on the mountain. Currently, hikers accessing the mountain pull into a grassy field off Richardson Hollow Road for a steep, 40-minute hike up old logging roads.

Dr. Carl Costanzi, who coordinates outdoor exercise programs aimed at preventing childhood obesity for Healthy Oxford Hills, said the mountain could be one step toward attracting "health tourism" to the town.

Costanzi suggested mountain bike trails could be developed to bring in tourism dollars.

"There's a direct connection between socioeconomic status and health," Costanzi said. "Poverty is the big risk factor for poor health, and Oxford County's poverty is in large part a reflection of the changing economy."

Nestled within the property is a 1-acre quarry that will have to be surveyed prior to the completion of the sale. Miners once pulled tourmaline, a gemstone popular with jewelers, though the quarry is now inactive.

To offset taxes, the land trust will harvest and sell timber under a forest management plan. Hunting will be allowed.

In 2014, the Western Foothills Land Trust entered into a purchase and sale agreement for Noyes Mountain, which sits at the north end of Lake Penneesseewassee and commands sweeping views of Oxford Hills.

At the time, it was thought a \$90,000 grant from the Land for Maine's Future program for a separate, stalled project at Roberts Farm Preserve could be applied to Noyes Mountain, Dassler said. However, permission to shift the funding was denied, leaving a major gap in fundraising.

In 2015, as the deal was to expire, the land trust asked for a one-year extension in order to have time to raise more money. That extension was granted but triggered a \$7,000 price increase, Dassler said.

The mountain offers views from a scenic vantage point just below the summit. But protecting vistas is deemed less crucial by public funding sources, leaving the land trust with the option of asking private donors or securing low-interest rates from a bank, Dassler said.

To date, the group has raised \$142,000 in grants, loans and a crowdfunding campaign, including \$78,000 from the Open Space Institute — \$165,000 short of the price. A request for an additional extension may trigger another price hike, Dassler said.

With a looming deadline, the land trust is asking for donations.

"Anyone who lives on or drives by Norway Lake and enjoys the view of Noyes Mountain should consider making a contribution," Dassler said in an email.

More information on how to make donations to the Western Foothills Land Trust toward the purchase of Noyes Mountain in Greenwood can be found at wftmaine.org.



Songo Pond—Vacationland for many Bethel area residents, adults, kids and vacationers in the 1940's



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For answers to questions about adopting or fostering a pet, or to make an inquiry about a lost animal, call Responsible Pet Care after noon at 743-8679.



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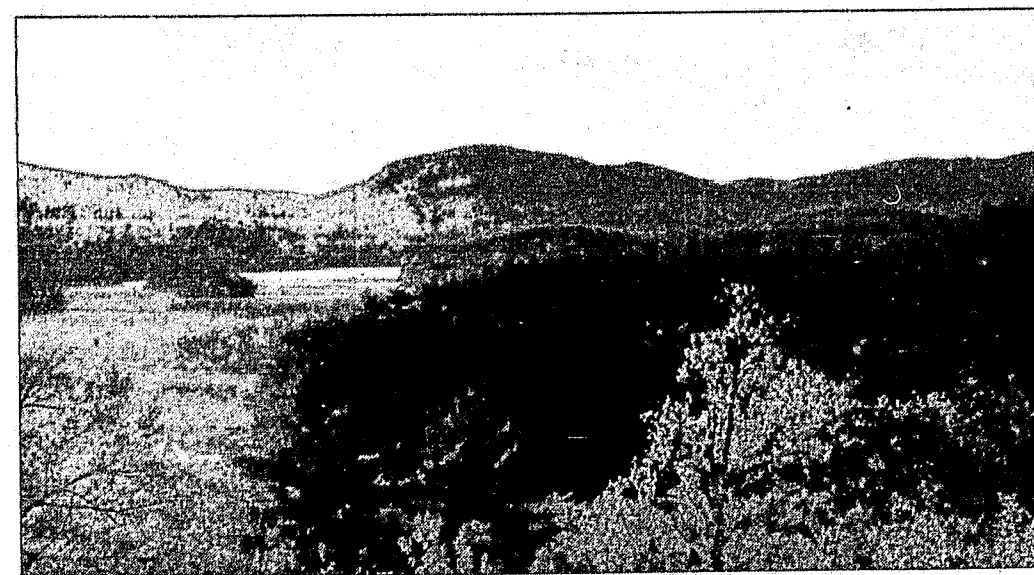
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A view of Lake Penneesseewassee from Noyes Mountain in Greenwood.

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life on the earth.
Known as Maggie she suffered TB as a child. You'd never had guessed it, some thought she was wild.
Quarantined in a hen-house, the kids they would come,
Escaping to books helped Tiggie fight boredom.
Gould Academy was "nice," but not Maggie's theme,
Swimming or fishing, she'd come up with a scheme.

Keith swept her away from Eva Swan's grip. Neither one could have fathomed the wonderful trip.

Stories of Dayton told with laughter and praise, Maggie and Keith had four children to raise.

Locke's Mills - the place they settled at last, Family ties were her wealth present and past.

Fireworks, swimming, family, food, and beyond, Eighteen years of memories, Charlotte's Beach, Twitchell Pond.

Daily strolls past Round Pond, North Pond, and South,

Maggie and I never once closed our mouth.

There were so many memories, good, bad and such,

We just babbled on not worried about much.

"Don't sweat the small stuff" was a Maggie perspective,

Learning, sharing, and loving were her life's objective.

Dilly beans, fish casseroles - yummy foods she would cook,

Her Volkswagen bus screamed, "Bohemian" look!

Thank you Aunt Maggie for your untamed ideas, "YOU ARE NEVER TOO OLD, they're just years!"

Woodstock School - at 65 a teacher they made her, She started when Stephen was just a first grader.

Sixty years, Sunday School - one of God's team, Grammie Maggie they called her with love and esteem.

Love of nature gave her foresight - a design that will stand,

Giving away acres-bluffs, views, the Ring Mountain Land.

And now as I pass through Maine's mountains and shores,

Maggie's life and legacy shines evermore.

July 27, 2007.

Andover

By JANE RICH



The Friday night concert series featuring the Robinsons was very well attended. Someone described the setting as perfect, not too hot and no bugs.

People are scurrying around town getting ready for the 36th annual Olde Home Day which promises to be very good. Leo Camire has worked hard to get representatives of many public service or-



GOULD CLASS OF 1966 INVITED-Gould Academy's Class of 1966 will be celebrating their 50th Reunion at Alumni Weekend on Sept 23-25. A memorable weekend is planned and Gould invites all alumni (anyone who completed at least one school year) to join in the fun. To view the schedule of events and register, go to <http://gouldacademy.org/event/2016-alumni-weekend/> or call Martha Yules '75 in the Alumni Relations office at 207-824-7762.

Gould Academy

ganizations including firemen, State Police, Warden's Service, the Sheriff's Department. Activities will take place in all town buildings including the Town Hall where the photography contest will be held. Photos can be dropped off on Wednesday and Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. and on Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m.

Those who like flowers can see the 65th annual flower show at the Historical Society Building where entries can be submitted between 5:30 and 8 p.m. on Friday evening. The First Congo Church will feature their usual items of food including the ever popular Cookie Walk.

The Fire Station will host the Chicken Barbecue. An art show will be featured in the building that at various times has served as Addie's, the Little Red Hen and many years ago the telephone office. If you have art to display, call Wendy Hutchins at 392-2211. I don't think it's too late, but if it is, please accept my apologies. There is just too much going on to list it all, but don't forget the lawn tractor races in the afternoon. A full schedule of events is elsewhere in this paper. This is the first year in 36 years that I'll be able to sit in my lawn chair in front of my own house and watch the parade.

A special commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the death of an early first responder, Molykett, will take place at her gravesite at the Woodlawn Cemetery on Sunday at 2 p.m. Thanks to the Knights of Pythias for organizing this event. Seating will be available.

Since last week, it has come to the attention of Town Officials that the School Board has the authority to appoint a new School Board member. Call the school if you are interested in this position or see a board member.

The MDOT conducted a meeting this past week with a Selectman and Representative Fran Head present about the repairs to the Farrington Bridge in East Andover which began on Aug. 1. Detour signs are in place which will inconvenience those traveling from East An-

dover to Andover Village and vice versa. The current completion date for the project is Sept. 6. We are hopeful it might be finished somewhat earlier because of school bus transportation. The engineer and a contractor will be meeting this week to discuss the Akers Bridge repair.

Because of Olde Home Day the Transfer Station hours will be changed - NO SATURDAY HOURS; however, the station will be open on FRIDAY from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sunday hours will be the regular 7 a.m. until noon.

To the Olde Home Day activity chairs: If you get a list of the winners in your event to me on Sunday I can get them into next week's column.

Hanover

By MARIA HOLLOWAY



Quilt Raffle tickets Tickets for the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library Quilt and Basket Raffles are now on sale at the Town Office. The drawing will take place at the annual Fall Festival. "It's a Morning Glory Day" reversible quilt is on display at the Town Office. Ten baskets for the Theme Basket Raffle have been donated and additional basket donations are needed. If you wish to donate a theme basket, please contact any of the GRML Trustees, leave a message at the Town Office, or contact Hanover-MENews@gmail.com.

Current baskets include Famous Man's Basket, After Five Basket, Dinner Date for Two, For Kids by Kids, Land of Winnie the Pooh, Red, White and Blue, Mazie, the Mouse, Holiday Joy, Picnic in a Backpack, and Bakers' Delight. Thanks to all who have donated thus far.

"Hot" new book at GRML The Library has purchased the new Harry Potter book, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child". You may need to put your name on a wait list for an opportunity to borrow this book so please stop by soon.

Thank you to Elaine Goucher for completing the erosion control at the front of the library. Elaine has spruced up the garden making the Library entrance very welcoming.

Don't Miss Pie Night! A Pie Night Fundraiser for Sam Miele, sponsored by the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library and

Stony Brook Campground, will be held on Wednesday, August 17, beginning at 6pm at Stony Brook Campground, 3036 Main St. Rt. 2, Hanover. The public is welcome to attend this family-friendly event to benefit Sam Miele of Hanover who suffered injuries sustained after she was attacked by a dog earlier this year. Show your support for Sam. Bring a pie! Eat some pie! Admission is free but monetary donations at your discretion will be accepted at the door. There will be door prizes and 50/50 raffle, too. All proceeds will benefit Sam Miele's medical and living expenses as she undergoes recovery. For more information please contact Hanover-MENews@gmail.com or stop by Stony Brook, Jade's Salon in Bethel, or the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library in Hanover.

Howard Pond Update Bob and Peg Susbury attended the annual statewide meeting of the Volunteer Lake Monitor Program (VLM). There were 150 people in attendance. The VLM has over 1200 volunteers throughout the state monitoring the water quality of our lakes and ponds. Bob received plans to build a receptacle for Howard Pond that will collect monofilament fish line that may be present in the water. This receptacle will be very useful in eliminating loons becoming entangled in fish line. Thank you, Bob, for all you do to keep our Howard Pond clean and beautiful.

Newry After talking to residents of North Newry, it sounds like almost everyone has been affected by the bear, or bears in the valley and surrounding environs. Sounds like this one bear in particular likes to get into cars and trucks. I have heard numerous accounts of a bear getting into and raising havoc in vehicles. It appears to be serious enough that there have been a few insurance claims on residents' vehicles. Thanks to William Andrews for letting me know about the activities in the Sunday River Valley. He said that they have been watching a family of bears most of the summer hanging around Combs Village area. He also said that he had a raccoon break in and have had squirrels running

through the house and had to chase them out. Sure sounds like wildlife is abundant in both valleys.

The School District funding formula committee made a mistake with the wording of the motion of the vote they took. I talked to committee member Bob Lowell from Newry, and he said that they will have a meeting this month to discuss what happened and have another vote. I would have to say that with "Next" still on the table, and some residents still pushing for it, that the committee will come up with a reasonable solution.

The Eddy School is hosting Mobius, a week-long active, academic day camp for students entering grades 4-6. It will be held Aug. 22-26, the week before SAD 44 begins. They will experiment with kitchen chemistry, complete fun math challenges, perform some Shakespeare, solve a CSI oceanography case, and play lots of outdoor games. Contact Deb for more information or to register at TheEddy2011@gmail.com - \$200 with some scholarships available. Do not forget that Newry offers camp scholarships!

Do not forget to keep the bear reports coming in - and this week, I will add another topic for your input: Do you wish the Newry Town Office were open on Fridays? Let me know at ldwebster1@gmail.com. Until next time...

Gilead A little rain would be welcome about now. The gardens could really use some. Of course, overnight rain would be the best solution. My brother, Steve McLain, checked his garden this past weekend and found that about half on a row of cucumbers were all wilted. A lot of water and a couple of hours later they looked just a good as the rest of the row.

Steve and Lise McLain got an e-mail from their son, Stephen, recently. He sent a picture of his wife 'Peachy' sitting at a microphone in a recording studio in Nashville. She was asked to sing backup vocals for a new gospel album by BJ Speer. He also sent some photos of their two youngest children, Quinn and Evan. They were standing on a dock and doing a little fishing. Last Friday, Hugh and I

By LIN CHAPMAN



We have printed out the Gilead photos and have them hanging on a wall in the Railroad Station for viewing. Gary also has a website-<https://never-homeboy.smugmug.com/>.

Town Office Selectman, Alfred Leighton, has done a great job temporarily filling in as the Buildings and Grounds person for the town. The WMNF picnic area is looking good again and so is the area between the railroad and Route 2.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

headed for Gorham, N.H. to spend the day with our granddaughter, Sidney. Sidney waited patiently during my hair appointment at Lisa's Headquarters in Shelburne, and then we headed for Walmart. Sidney helped pick out a new pocketbook for me and a new scarf for her. We got some lunch and went back to the house to keep Chloe company. Sidney was busy getting ready for her week in Orono for hockey camp.

Later that night, Hugh and I headed back to Gorham, N.H. to meet up with Gary Knapp the night photographer. He was taking a night photo by the Gorham Railroad station of the train heading west. We hadn't seen him for quite a while, since he lives in Vermont and only gets to Gorham every so often, so we headed out around 9:30 p.m., and were just getting into Gorham when my brother, Steve McLain, called and said that the train was just coming into Gilead.

Luckily, when we saw Gary, he was pretty much set up and ready. It is quite a procedure to set up all his light stands that illuminate the train and the area nearby. He takes some really beautiful night photos of engines all around the area. He has done quite a few in Gilead that show the train with the Gilead Historical Society's schoolhouse and the Town of Gilead's office and town hall in the background. There are also some really pretty ones of the railroad trestle over Wild River, too.

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Locke's Mills This Saturday, Aug. 6, is the Blueberry Festival at the Locke Mills Union Church. If the time is the same as usual, I believe they start selling berries, pies, etc. and serving pan-

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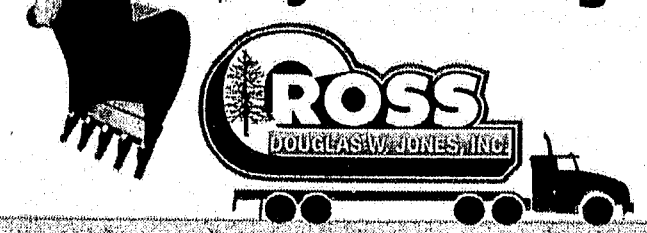
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THE CRESCENT PARK SCHOOL PLAYGROUND is becoming reality. O'Brien & Son's Landscape Structures hired crew from D.L. Small and Son of Carmel is working over the next week to fully install Phase 1 and 2 of the playground replacement project. Pictured is the Netplex,™ which will be the hub of activity. It is a multi-level structure of webbed nets and offers kids a climbing challenge. A slide and other play pieces will attach to this structure.

for a nap before donning my swim suit and joining the kids for swimming in the Falls. This time, I took Shiloh so he could swim with us. He had a good time swimming and retrieving Bryce's black and yellow sneakers, which Bryce kept tossing in the falls and watching them float down. We had to quit around 2:30 so they could get ready for the ride back to Portland. They spent the night in a motel there and caught an early flight back to Rapid City, S.D. on Sunday morning.

Interestingly, on Saturday evening after supper, Shiloh lay on the deck and barked for me to come out and help him get up! His hind legs kept sliding away from him when he tried to get up once his front legs were up. The busy afternoon swimming after having run two miles that morning with Anita just wore him out! At bedtime, I again had to help Shiloh get onto his feet, but he made it upstairs okay. Next morning, he was slow to get up but was okay and gradually worked the kinks out by the end of the day.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



Hard to believe that it is August already. The nights have still been mostly cool, but the days make up for it; 85-90 has been the typical around here. That is too hot for me, but others like it. I find fewer and fewer who do, but that doesn't mean all others like it. In any case, there is nothing we can do about it, so we just have to grin and bear it. On 90 degree days, I stick close to home, unless I have to be somewhere, and then I use the truck. It has air conditioning.

Friday, Aug. 5 the First Friday reception will take place at Western Maine Art Group at 426 Main Street in Norway from 5 to 7 p.m. The featured artist of the month is Jo Northrop Thomas. Ms. Thomas won first prize at the Norway Arts Festival

in July.

Condolences go out to Norm Clanton on the death of Sylvia. On Thursday, Aug. 4 there will be a funeral service at 176 Lone Pine Road in Newry. Donations can be made to Stephen's Memorial Hospital, Bethel Historical Society and Bethel United Methodist Church. Sylvia was a great lady. She will be missed.

Saturday, Aug. 6 the Annual Blueberry Festival in Locke's Mills at the Union Church from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. There will be pancakes, sundaes, pies, blueberries, etc.

Sunday, Aug. 7 there will be a memorial service for Mollycckett at 2 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery to mark the 200th year since her death. Mollycckett was a Native American healer who traveled all over Oxford Hills, healing people. The event is organized by the Cabot Lodge of the Knights of Pythias.

There is also an open house on Sunday, Aug.

West Paris Historical Society news

On Monday, July 18, we had our annual calendar drawing and dessert meeting with about 60 attending and 22 winners: Mike Saladago, Bert Jones, John Lamore, Lynn Roost, Joyce Linendol, Stephanie Emorey, John Barker, Emily Deer, Sally Livingstone, Mickey Liimatta, Margaret Turner, Kayla Inman, James Young, Bev Farrar, Kim Poland, Marta Clements, Jara Wilson, Mike Duran, Charlie Coffin, Bruce Downing and Kevin Billings. We all had a fun time.

Aug. 15 at 6 p.m. will be a pot luck supper at a regular meeting at 7 p.m. Dues are due this month and election of officers and then the good part, Walt Bannon from Naples to talk about his mother's experiences during World War II when the Nazis invaded her Belgium Village. This book, "The White Pocketbook," is highly reviewed and on the shelf at the National Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C. There will be books to sell that night.

For more information please call Betty Jones at 674-2507. So fix a dish and come have a fun evening.



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Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Remember the Whitman Memorial Library Reading Program ends Aug. 9. Join

them for a fun afternoon before it's too late. Time 1:30 to 2:30. Stories, crafts and snacks.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Aug. 4 for a picnic and meeting at the home of Clyde and Norma Knight. Please bring something to share: a salad, sandwich, etc. and your own place setting. Meeting starts at 11:30. New members always welcome.

Judith Grover Tent #19 DUVCW will meet on Monday, Aug. 8 at the Grange Hall at 6 p.m. for a pot luck

picnic and flag disposal (if weather permits).

The Woodstock Historical Society will meet at the museum on Saturday, Aug. 13 for a meeting. Remember the museum is open on Saturday afternoons. Meeting is 6 p.m.

Franklin Grange #124 will meet at the hall on Monday, Aug. 15 at 7 p.m.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15 for all ages, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, also Bloom for Girls 13 to 18. Sunday, Aug. 7 is "Love Your Church" Sunday. Tuesday, Aug. 9 is Ladies Coffee Cup Devotions at 9 a.m. All ladies are invited to attend.

Saturday, Aug. 13 is Mens Fellowship breakfast at 7 a.m. All men are welcome to attend.

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Aug. 5, 6 & 7
Schedule

THEME: HONORING PUBLIC SAFETY

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FRIDAY: MARSHALL MEISNER BAND CONCERT 6:30 PM THE COMMON

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY: TEES, BUTTONS AND 50/50 TICKETS ON SALE THE COMMON

FRIDAY: 5-8 PM ART DISPLAY OF AREA AND LOCAL ARTIST PAST & PRESENT OLD TELEPHONE OFFICE

SATURDAY: GRIMALDI FIELD- PARKING AND SHUTTLE TO COMMON GRIMALDI FIELD

SATURDAY: 8 AM COFFEE, DONUTS, COOKIE WALK AND LUNCH, FIRST CONGO CHURCH

SATURDAY: 8 AM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ROAD RACE

SATURDAY: 8 AM-2 PM ANTIQUE / CLASSIC CAR SHOW AKERS FIELD

SATURDAY: PARADE LINE-UP 9 AM, JUDGING 9:30 AM, STARTS 10:00 AM DAVID & BETSEY WHITE'S ARMY CADETS, MAINE STATE POLICE COLOR GUARD AND MORE

SATURDAY: 10 AM LINE UP 9:30 BIKE & CARRIAGE PARADE THE TENNIS COURT

ALL DAY SATURDAY: VENDERS / CRAFTS / GAMES / FOOD THE COMMON

ALL DAY SATURDAY: FREE HORSE DRAWN WAGON RIDES MAIN STREET

ALL DAY SATURDAY: BARREL TRAIN RIDES BEHIND FIRE STATION

SATURDAY: 11:30 AND 1:00 PM BUTTON DRAWINGS THE COMMON

SATURDAY: 9-2 HISTORICAL SOCIETY FLOWER SHOW / DISPLAY, HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SATURDAY: 9-10 AM, 11-3 PM ART DISPLAY OF AREA & LOCAL ARTISTS OLD TELEPHONE OFFICE

SATURDAY: 9-2 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST DOWNSTAIRS TOWN HALL

SATURDAY: 11 AM, CORN HOLE COMPETITION, PJ FARRINGTON, BEHIND FIRE STATION

SATURDAY: 11 AM CHICKEN BARBECUE FIRE STATION

SATURDAY: 11-4 PENNACOOK ART SHOW, 10-4 BOOK SALE LIBRARY

SATURDAY: 1 PM SKILLET CONTEST, MEN & WOMEN, LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD

SATURDAY: 12 TO 5 PM HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS AND COLD DRINKS GRIMALDI FIELD

SATURDAY: 1 PM, TRACTOR PULLS GRIMALDI FIELD, ANDOVER MOTOR SPEEDWAY

SATURDAY: 3 PM, LAWN TRACTOR RACE GRIMALDI FIELD, ANDOVER MOTOR SPEEDWAY

SUNDAY: 10 AM, HOME COMING SUNDAY SERVICE, ANDOVER CONGO CHURCH, FOLLOWED BY POT LUCK BRUNCH; BRING A DISH TO SHARE, IF ABLE

SUNDAY: 2 PM, K of P SERVICE REMEMBERING MOLLOCKET WOODLAWD CEMETARY, 200 YEARS SINCE HER PASSING, CATHY NEWELL WILL BE SPEAKING. SEATING WILL BE AVAILABLE

ELLIS RIVER RIDERS-SUNDAY 9 AM OPEN SHOW AT THEIR SHOW GROUNDS

PLEASE NO DOGS ON THE COMMON UNLESS A SERVICE DOG (THIS WILL BE ENFORCED THIS YEAR FOR SAFETY REASONS)

Sunday River names Gould ski coach as Snow Sports School director

Sunday River Ski Resort has hired a Gould Academy alpine coach as the director of its new Snow Sports School.

Matt Erickson has worked in the ski industry for more than 35 years. He served as a Professional Ski Instructor of America examiner, an alpine coach at Gould Academy, and a coach for Sunday River's Perfect Turn Ski and Snowboard School.

The Snow Sports School is an "evolution" of Sunday River's Perfect Turn

day River's Perfect Turn



Ski and Snowboard

School, and there may be new programs added to the school.

Erickson will oversee seasonal operations, including day and season-long programs for children and adults, learn-to-ski and snowboard clinics, and the resort's Someday Bigger Daycare.

Erickson will likely begin as Snow Sports School director shortly before the start of the winter season, according to Sunday River.

Service in honor of Molly Ockett planned in Andover

A Remembrance Service for Molly Ockett, the well-known Native American healer and herbalist, will take place Sunday, Aug. 7 at 2 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery, Route 5 in Andover. This year is the 200th anniversary of her death.

The speaker will be Cathy Newell of Greenwood. Executive Director Randy Bennett of the Bethel Historical Society

will also participate.

Chairs will be provided for anyone needed seating.

In addition to the service, a Molly Ockett quilt created by Donna Gillies of Bethel will be on display at the Andover Historical Society from 2-4 p.m.

The service is organized by the Cabot Lodge Knights of Pythias.

Music without Borders Competition prize winners



Submitted photo

Celebrating its 10th season in Bethel, Music without Borders International Piano Festival at Gould Academy held a competition on Wednesday, July 27, when pianists, ages 10-26, competed for prizes in three divisions: junior, middle, and senior, as well as for the Grand Prix, accorded the most outstanding performer of the competition. A "full house" in McLaughlin Science Center auditorium witnessed the evening award ceremony and winners' recital, after jurors from Maine, New Hampshire, and New York had deliberated throughout the morning and afternoon performances by a truly international group of competitors.

First prize, junior division (ages 10-15), was accorded 14-year-old Lev Davydov (Buzuluk, Russia) for his interpretation of Beethoven's Pathétique Sonata and Liszt's Gnomes (Dance of the Gnomes) and Hungarian Rhapsody No. 11. Second prize was given to Alessandra Mariano (Manchester, N.H.) for her performance of Ginastera's Danzas criollos and Rachmaninov's Moments musicaux, Opus 18, No. 4.

The jurors awarded two first prizes - no second prize - to middle division pianist Kevin Chen (Andover, Mass.) for his interpretation of Haydn's Sonata in E-flat major, Chopin's Fourth Ballade, and the Russian Dance from Stravinsky's ballet Petroushka, and to Sebastian Iivonen (Nacka, Sweden) for his performance of Chopin's Second Ballade and Beethoven's Sonata No. 18, "The Hunt."

First prize, senior division (ages 21-

29), was won by Vladimir Tiagunov (Nizhny Tagil, Russia), who performed Beethoven's "Appassionata" Sonata, Schubert's Musical Moment in A-flat major, and Agosti's arrangement of the Infernal Dance from Stravinsky's ballet Firebird.

The Grand Prix was given to Vasily Panteleev (Saratov, Russia), for his performance of the first movement of Beethoven's "Tempest" Sonata, Chopin's Fourth Ballade, three Preludes of Rachmaninov, and Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12. The Grand Prix laureate also received an engagement to play a "Rising Star" recital during the coming Piano Series season at the Gendron Franco Center, Lewiston.

Special awards were given for outstanding performance of period works: Baroque (Baoyu Wright, Newmarket, New Hampshire), Classical (Isil Kaya, Istanbul, Turkey), Romantic (Madelyn Flanagan, Yarmouth, Maine), and Contemporary (Brenden Davis, Hempstead, Long Island).

Music without Borders International Piano Festival at Gould Academy brings together promising young keyboard artists from Europe and the United States for a period of intensive study with concert artist and master teacher Tamara Poddubnaya. Its frequent public recitals during the month-long festival have become very popular with Bethel and western Maine residents, who look forward to the 11th season in July 2017.

Dean's list

AT CLARK UNIVERSITY

Rose H. Goldberg of Bethel has been named to second honors on the Clark University Dean's List.

The selection marks outstanding academic achievement during the Spring 2016 semester.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, Aug. 4

Bethel Senior Citizens trip to Cindy's Dockside Restaurant in Poland for lunch; (Note: this is a date change from Aug. 3.) The bus will leave the Bethel Health Center at 8:30 a.m. Plan is to also visiting the Poland Spring Bottling Plant and other places of interest. Non-members are welcome; a donation of \$5 is suggested to help pay for the bus.

Aug. 5-6

Maine Taxidermy Show; at Sunday River's Jordan Hotel. Open to the public both days, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. No charge; donations accepted. About 100 pieces expected to be displayed.

Friday, Aug. 5

Greenwood Fiddle Jam; 6-9 p.m. at the Greenwood Town Hall, Rte. 26 in the village of Locks Mills. Slow jam 6-7 p.m. All string instruments welcome to play traditional, contra dance, Scotts, Irish and Quebecois tunes. Every Friday night. Free. See Greenwood Fiddle Jam page on Facebook for more info. FYI: Due to Greenwood Bicentennial festivities, there will be no jam on Aug. 12.

First Friday Reception; Western Maine Art Group, from 5-7 p.m. at the Main Street Gallery, 426 Main Street. The gallery will be exhibiting the work of fine artists and artisans living and working in Western Maine. Featured at the Main Street Gallery in August are the collages of Jo Northrop Thomas, Western Maine Art Group's Artist of the Month. Ms. Thomas recently won first prize for painting at the Norway Arts Festival.

Celebration Barn Theater; Jeff Wirth's "StoryBox," 8 p.m. "StoryBox" is a new kind of stage for interactive performance where audience participants join inter-actors as co-creators of improvised stories. Audience members may choose to play or to sit back and enjoy the show as usual. Celebration Barn is located just off Route 117 at 190 Stock Farm Road in South Paris.

Saturday, Aug. 6

Annual Andover Olde Home Days; 9 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. Parade, antique car displays, exhibits, art & flower shows, crafts, firemen's muster, horse show, food & music. (For vendor registration call Judy at 392-1221.)

Andover Olde Home Days Road Races; 4.5-mile Open Run Road Race (men and women, with age divisions); 1-Mile Fun Race (boys and girls under 15); 1-Mile Open Walk (all ages). Registration thru July 25; registration after July 25 (cost for 4.5-mile increases from \$15 to \$20 after July 25; other races are \$5 throughout period). FMI call/text 207-357-3828 or e-mail brianne.bailey@maine.edu. Make donation fee checks to "Andover Service Circle" Mail to 187 East Andover Rd. E. Andover, ME 04226.

Annual Blueberry Festival; at the Locke Mills Union Church from 7:30 to 11:30 A. M. Pancakes, Sundaes, Pies, Blueberries, etc.

Maine State Kids' Triathlon; at Angevine Park, 11 a.m. Registration ending Aug. 5, though children can still register from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on the day of the event. The triathlon is geared toward children ages 8 to 14. Sponsored by Bethel Outing Club.

Celebration Barn Theater; 8 p.m., Mike Miclon will present the Olympic-themed edition of Maine's longest running variety show, "The Early Evening Show" featuring special guests Jan Damm and Ariele Ebacher. Celebration Barn is located just off Route 117 at 190 Stock Farm Road in South Paris.

Sunday, Aug. 7

Maine State Triathlon; 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. Sprint Triathlon - 750 meter swim, 24 K bike, 5.8 K run. Website: mainestatetriathlon.com

Ellis River Connection Celebration; The Mahoosuc Land Trust announces the completion of the first phase of linking the Ellis River Valley to the summit of Rumford Whitecap and invites the community to celebrate, honor and thank the people who made this project possible. 3 - 4:30 p.m. at the Ellis River, on the East Andover Road, one mile north of the intersection of the Andover and East Andover Roads in Rumford. Look for MLT signage. Come and walk about, meet friends and neighbors, and hear about plans for trails and river access. The Land Trust and the deFrees Families look forward to seeing you.

Remembrance Service for Molly Ockett; 2 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery, Route 5 in Andover. This year is the 200th anniversary of her death. Speaker will be Cathy Newell. Chairs will be provided. A Molly Ockett quilt by Donna Gillies will be on display at the Andover Historical Society from 2-4 p.m. Event organized by the Cabot Lodge Knights of Pythias.

Open House at Halls Pond Healing Arts; 2-5 p.m., 253 Halls Pond Rd, South Paris. Enjoy the peaceful studio, taste herbal teas, sample essential oils, walk through the beautiful gardens and visit with Katey Branch celebrating 30 years of being a healing artist, massage therapist, yoga practitioner, dancer and artist. www.hallspond-healingarts.com

Monday, Aug. 8

Bethel Board of Selectmen; 7 p.m., town office.

Tuesday, Aug. 9

Story Hour at Whitman Memorial Library; 1:30 p.m., with special guest Dr. Kevin Finley, who will present on the Raising Readers Program. Ages 2-12. Last Story Hour of the summer.

Locke Mills Supper Dance; at the American Legion Hall, Locke Mills. 5-9:30 p.m. Music by the Shadagee Ramblers. Doors open at 4. Menu: Chicken casseroles, potatoes, veggies, salads, cranberry sauce, bread and pies Supper/Dance \$12. Dance \$5. Supper \$7.

Wednesday, Aug. 10

Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting; 11 a.m. at Stony Brook Campground for their annual picnic. Members will bring either a salad or desert to share. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. Call Arlene Lowell at 824-2877 before Aug. 1 if you plan to attend.

Waterford Summer Breakfast; 7:30 to 10 a.m. at the Wilkins Community House at the foot of Plummer Hill Road, next to the Waterford Congregational Church. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for child-sized portions, and free for children under 5. Proceeds contribute to the maintenance of the Wilkins Community House. Wilkins House Basement Yard Sale is also held from 7:30 to 11.

Public hearing on possible Milton wind project; 1 p.m. at the Bethel Inn.

Thursday, Aug. 11

Wabanaki Treaties and Water: Indigenous Homeland in Nineteenth-Century Maine. 7-9 p.m. at Bethel Historical Society. The 2016 Stanley Russell Howe Lecture will be presented by Dr. Micah A. Pawling, Assistant Professor of History and Native American Studies at the University of Maine. In a talk entitled "Wabanaki Treaties and Water: Indigenous Homeland in 19-Century Maine," Professor Pawling will explore the ways that rapid change affected the world of Maine's Native Americans (including local "doctress" Molly Ockett) during the early nineteenth century. Following his presentation, Dr. Pawling will sign copies of his book, Wabanaki Homeland and the New State of Maine: The 1820 Journal and Plans of Survey of Joseph Treat. Website: <http://bethelhistorical.org>

Aug. 12-14

GREENWOOD BICENTENNIAL; Celebrate the town's 200th birthday with a parade, lots of food, music, dancing, games for the kids, art, vendors, wagon rides, fireworks, and much more. See schedule on the website or check the ad the week before. www.greenwoodmaine.org

Friday, Aug. 12

Alder River Grange meeting; 6 p.m. pot luck supper, meeting at 7 p.m.

Benefit for Vickie Jamison; at The Rumford Eagles from 5 p.m. - 11 p.m. Free admission. Vickie was an employee of Hope Association for many years, had to retire due to terminal cancer. There will be a \$7 Spaghetti Supper served at 5 p.m. until gone. Chinese Auction - 50/50 will be drawn at 7:30 p.m. Live DJ Music throughout the night. For more information please contact Debbie Averill at 357-4022.

Aug. 13-14

Community Roots event; at Alan Day Community Gardens, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. 26 Whitman St., Norway. Free workshops and demonstrations every hour beginning at 10 a.m. Vendors will have food and products for sale. Children's activities. Workshops include pruning and grafting, Orchard Management; Solar Power; Raw Milk Dairy from Cow to Bottle; Scything; Beekeeping; Mulch Gardening, Permaculture; Scottish Highland Cattle, Pasture to Table; Maine Farmland Trust & Western Maine Foothills Land Trust; Sourdough Baking; Bison. FMI communityrootsmaine.wordpress.com or call 207-329-7854 e-mail cpeaston@megalink.net.

Saturday, Aug. 13

Bicentennial Pancake Breakfast; at the Locke Mills Union Church; 7:30 to 10 a.m. Pancakes, sausage, coffee, tea, milk, orange juice.

Waterford Library's Summer Gala; 6-9:30 p.m. Silent Auction, Hors D'oeuvres, Wine, Music. Auction Bidding 6:30-8:30. \$3 per person; \$5 a couple. Black Tie optional.

Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club's annual potluck picnic; at Fox Run Farm, Wyman Hill Road, Rumford. (for directions go to mainehoneybees.com). Bring your favorite dish, and lawn chair for sitting. Club will be providing Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Beverages. FMI contact Christopher at cpeaston@megalink.net.

Sunday, Aug. 14

200th Anniversary of Middle Intervale Meetinghouse; 1:30-5 p.m. Bethel's oldest meetinghouse / church structure at Middle Intervale village. Join the Bethel Historical Society and the Middle Intervale Meetinghouse Society to celebrate. Free event will include a short talk about the history of the Meetinghouse, a group sing-along, and an ice cream social. The Meetinghouse is located 3 miles off Route 26 on Intervale Road. <http://bethelhistorical.org>

Wednesday, Aug. 17

Pie Night Fundraiser for Sam Miele (CORRECTED DATE); sponsored by the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library and Stonybrook Campground, 6 p.m. at Stonybrook Campground, 3036 Main St, Rt. 2, Hanover. The public is welcome to attend this family-friendly event to benefit Sam Miele of Hanover, who suffered injuries from an attack by a dog earlier this year. Bring a pie! Eat some pie! Monetary donations will be accepted at the door. Door prizes and 50/50 raffle. All proceeds will benefit Sam Miele for her medical and living expenses. For more information please contact HanoverMENews@gmail.com or stop

in to Stonybrook, Jade's Salon in Bethel, or the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library in Hanover.

Thursday, Aug. 18

Breau's Too Cruise Night; 5 to 7 p.m., Breau's Too parking lot, Bryant Pond. FMI: 665-2554.

Aug. 19-20

Alder River Grange Yard Sale; at hall starting at 9 a.m. and ending in the afternoon.

Maine Comedy Festival; Bethel Inn Resort. Four comedy shows, on two nights by 14+ comedians from across the country. It's a weekend full of laughs including a golf tournament on Friday, live music after the shows. FMI: www.maine-comedyfest.com.

Aug. 19-21

40th Annual New England Trappers Weekend; Olsons' Furs, Tents & Baseball 760 E. Bethel Road, Bethel. Friday, Aug 19: 7a.m. - 9 p.m. Demos, stories, camping, contests, more. Saturday, Aug 20: 7a.m. - 11 p.m. Sunday, Aug 21: 8:30 - 10a.m. FMI: Neil Olson, 207-875-5765. \$5 per adult. \$5 camping per night.

Saturday, Aug. 20

Upton Fun Day; Join us for a fun filled family day. Breakfast will be served at the Upton Ladies Aid building beginning at 7 a.m. This year's theme for the day/parade is "Transportation: Past through Present." Parade entries of all varieties are welcome. The parade line up is at 9:30 a.m. at 142 Thistle St. (Rt. 26) Parade begins at 10 a.m. After the parade, local organizations will have booths set up, ongoing demonstrations, children's carnival, Upton Historical Society will have displays on the second floor of the Upton School, Upton Ladies Aid will have baked goods, crafts, and raffles in their building and vendors will be present on Mill Rd. There will be food vendors available, also. At 1 p.m., there will be cake and ice cream at the Upton Ladies Aid building. At 2 p.m. viewing for the annual Chinese auction will take place at 142 Thistle St. and at 3 p.m. the auction will begin. At 5 p.m., there will be a church service at the Upton Union Church. FMI call Penny @ 533-2010.

Sunday, Aug. 21

Paint Night at the Gypsy Canvas; 4 p.m. at Parker St., Mexico to raise funds for the NAMI Western Mountains walk team and to benefit all of NAMI's programs for all who are affected by mental health challenges, particularly in this western part of Maine. For more information, call Sue at 418-7904.

Monday, Aug. 22

SAD 44 School Board meeting; 6:30 p.m. at Crescent Park Elementary School.

Tuesday, Aug. 23

St. Catherine's and Christ Episcopal Church Ice Cream Social; 6 p.m. on the lawn at St. Catherine's Church, 32 Paris St., Norway. (rain or shine) \$5 per person; children 10 & under free. This is an old-fashioned Ice Cream Social with music by Alan deSilva.

Wednesday, Aug. 31

Community Supper; 4:30-6 p.m. (No Charge) Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Rd. (across from the Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

Thursday, Sept. 1

NAMI's FREE Family to Family education course; for families and friends of persons with mental health challenges will start in Norway from 6-8:30 p.m. More information at www.nami-maine.org or 1-800-464-5767.

Friday, Sept. 8

Sip and Paint with Paint the Town; at American Legion Post 81 in Bethel (Vernon Street), 6-9 p.m. Event is a fundraiser for the Legion. The subject painted will be a fall landscape. Price per person is \$35; space is limited. Call Frieda Charon at 757-870-4020 for more information.

Saturday, Sept. 10

Spaghetti Supper and Chinese Auction; at 5 p.m. at the Mexico Calvin Lyons Hall (below the town office.) to raise funds for the NAMI Western Mountains walk team, thereby making it possible for more NAMI programs and events to be brought to this western part of the state. Anyone wishing to donate to the Chinese auction, please call Sue at 418-7904 or Dottie at 364-2197.

MEMIC Peak2Peak Challenge; 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Sunday River Resort. A new adventure race that spans Sunday River's eight mountain peaks. Competitors are challenged with reaching the summit of each peak in the shortest time possible. Website: <http://sundayriver.com/events-and-activities/events-calendar/peak2peak>

Friday, Sept. 16

Hunter Safety Bow Class; SAD 44 Adult Ed archery education course will provide a student with knowledge regarding equipment, proper hunting methods, responsibilities, and general safety. Most classes will have some outdoor exercises. Passage of a final exam required. You must attend every day of the class in order to receive your certificate. Limit 25. Classes on Sept. 16 6 p.m.-9 p.m., and Sunday, Sept. 25 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. \$10 pp Telstar High School Library. To sign up go to: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/> or call 824-2136 ext. 1340.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - AUTOMOBILE PARTS

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: What do you have if your car's engine is in flames?

AIR BAG
ARMREST
AXLE
BATTERY
CAR SEAT
DOOR
FILTER
FRAME
GAUGE
HEADLIGHT
HUBCAP
KEY
LOCK
MAT
MIRROR
MOTOR
PEDAL
RADIATOR
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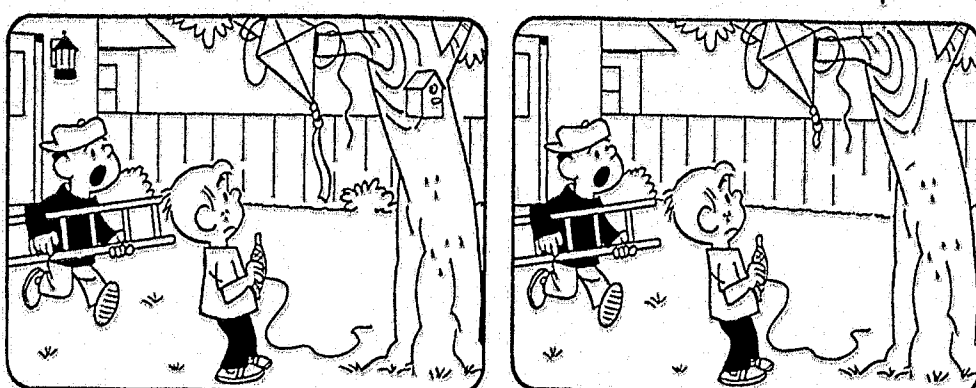
Y	R	E	T	T	A	B	D	A	F
I	R	O	S	I	V	O	M	T	T
E	R	E	R	E	O	O	H	T	S
N	M	B	G	R	T	G	M	I	E
E	A	A	E	O	I	D	A	R	R
G	L	L	R	L	I	M	T	E	M
U	X	A	D	F	I	L	T	E	R
A	R	A	D	I	A	T	O	R	A
G	E	T	A	E	S	R	A	C	N
H	U	B	C	A	P	E	Y	E	K

Riddle answer: _____

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Light fixture is missing. 2. Ladder is shorter. 3. Body is slimmer. 4. Kite tail is shorter. 5. Bush is missing. 6. Bird house is missing.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: L equals U

D VNLZW LYM YNRM DQYFELVFDNQ

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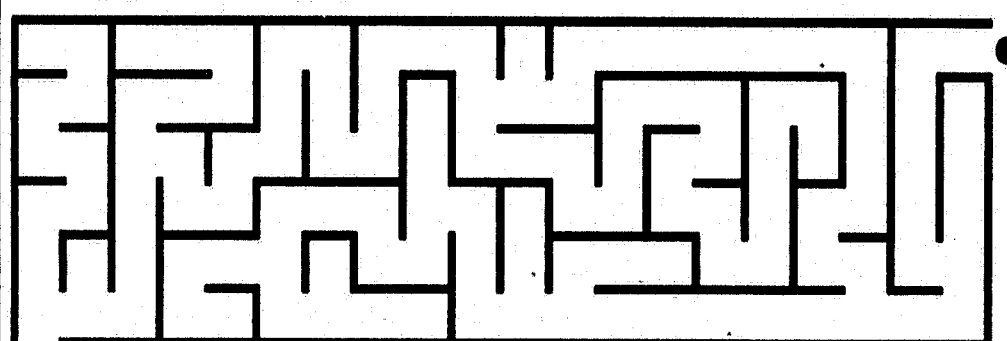
SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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QURISM
Dimple
VOTID
Dismay
LAMAR
Later
FRATE

TODAY'S WORD

Kids' Maze

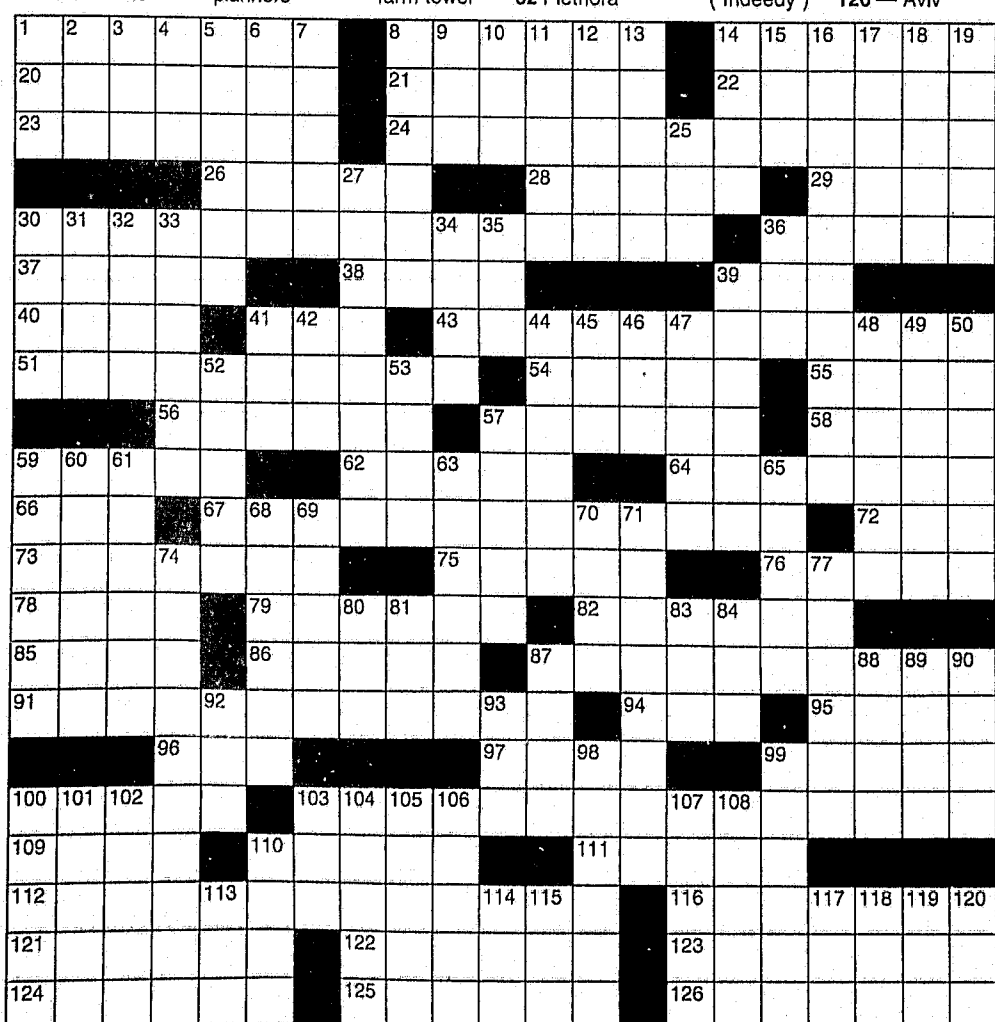


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Super Crossword

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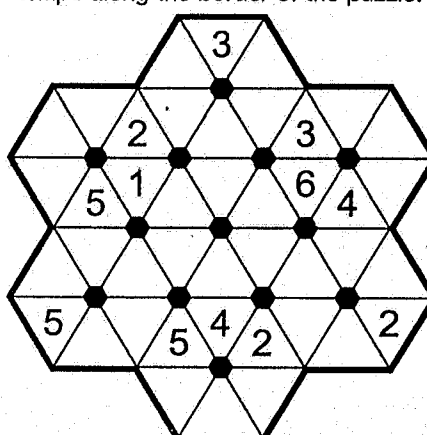
- ACROSS**
- Use for target practice, say
 - They're littler than mediums
 - Mongol invaders
 - See 125-Across
 - Dine at a restaurant
 - Lucky charm
 - BB rifles
 - One going from station to station
 - Bohemian dance
 - Ice sites
 - DVR giant
 - Oscar-nominated actress in "Victor/Victoria"
 - Censored-word sound
 - "I haven't" ("Beats me")
 - Very old boys' school
 - Eye
 - Mother of Zeus
 - Rue Morgue creator
 - Grow up and move away from home
 - Getting the airborne matter from, perhaps
 - Sly
 - Art Deco lithographer
 - Kind of engine fuel
 - Opening opera part
 - Cherry (Ocean Spray flavor)
 - Hulk of pro wrestling
 - Flee with a flame
 - Residents of Japan's third-largest city
 - "Am — blame?"
 - Eight three-letter ones are found in appropriate places in this puzzle
 - Staff sgt., e.g.
 - Small mosaic tile
 - Revised thing
 - Western flick
 - French "she"
 - Buddies
 - City partition planners
 - buster (certain drug)
 - Track vehicle
 - One of 100 on the Hill
 - Hit song subtitled "To Be Loved by You"
 - daily basis
 - High, elegant hairstyle
 - Voguish thing
 - Polaris, e.g.
 - Weirdo
 - Arizona tribe members
 - American slices, e.g.
 - Budget Rent
 - "A Bell for —" (Hersey novel)
 - Japanese truck maker
 - 1980s game show
 - Sir Walter Scott's title
 - River dividing Nebraska
 - Munchkin
 - Document repository
 - Placed in a farm tower
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 - "Wow!" in a chat room
 - Fake locks
 - Bug
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 - Solitary sort
 - LEM part
 - Comic
 - Martin
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 - Darya (Asian river)
 - Sweater type
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 - Actor
 - Christopher
 - Barber's leather band
 - Film director
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 - Heavily involved (in)
 - Hog product
 - Repeat
 - Plethora
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 - Juice drinks
 - Booze up
 - Is no more
 - Expert finish?
 - Whispers in stage acting
 - Place to pray
 - Lock parts
 - Eyelike windows
 - Of pontiffs
 - iPod Touch, e.g.
 - Grates on
 - Initial stage
 - Filch
 - Persian Gulf sheikdom
 - Old autocrats
 - Did like
 - Road no.
 - Be indebted
 - Domicile
 - Unit of resistance
 - Actress
 - Valdolos
 - 12/24, e.g.
 - "True"
 - Aviv



SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦ Difficult

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Kids' Maze Solution

RADIATORS

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Annual Howe Lecture at Bethel Historical Society

The Bethel Historical Society will host the 6th annual Stanley Russell Howe Lecture on Thursday, Aug. 11, at 7 p.m. This year's speaker will be Dr. Micah A. Pawling, Assistant Professor of History and Native American Studies at the University of Maine, who will present a talk entitled "Wabanaki Treaties and Water: Indigenous Homeland in Nineteenth-Century Maine." Professor Pawling will explore the ways that rapid change affected the world of Maine's Native Americans (including local "doctress" Molly Ockett) during the early nineteenth century. Dr. Pawling received his B.A. from the Uni-

versity of Delaware in 1996, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Maine in 1999 and 2010, respectively. His research areas include the Ethnohistory of North America, Native Peoples of Eastern Canada and the Northeastern United States, American History, Canadian History, and Environmental History.

Following his presentation, Dr. Pawling will sign copies of his book, *Wabanaki Homeland and the New State of Maine: The 1820 Journal and Plans of Survey of Joseph Treat*. In late September 1820, hoping to lay claim to territory then under dispute between Great Britain and

the United States, Governor William King of the newly founded State of Maine dispatched Major Joseph Treat to survey public lands on the Penobscot and Saint John Rivers. Traveling well beyond the limits of colonial settlement, Treat relied heavily on the cultural knowledge and expertise of John Neptune, lieutenant governor of the Penobscot tribe, to guide him across the Wabanaki homeland. Along the way, Treat recorded his daily experiences in a journal and drew detailed maps, documenting the interactions of the Wabanaki peoples with the land and space they knew as home. Edit-

ed, annotated, and with an introduction by Micah Pawling, this volume includes a complete transcription of Treat's journal, reproductions of dozens of hand-drawn maps, and records pertaining to the 1820 treaty between the Penobscot Nation and the governing authorities of Maine. (Book royalties benefit the Penobscot Nation's Department of Cultural and Historic Preservation.)

The Howe Lecture will take place at the Dr. Moses Mason House (14 Broad Street) and is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served following the program. FMI: 207-824-2908.

Backyard Reflections

Denizens of the Night

On these long summer evenings I sit on the porch after all the birds except the cardinals are bedded down for the night and wistfully scan the sky for the sight of even one of these small hand-wing bats (the bones of the bat are shaped like those of the human hand). I haven't seen one in years. Once, a bat lived with me for a whole summer, flying through my room after night had fallen and I turned on a light... I felt quite blessed.

When I first came to Woodstock the skies were full of these marvelous creatures snoring and scooping their dinner on the wing. A little brown bat can eat her weight in mosquitos and other insects each night. Bats play an important role in Maine's ecosystem by keeping the disease-spreading insect population in check and are the main animal responsible for hunting insects nocturnally.

The species most often observed flying around humans in this area used to be the little brown bat and the big brown bat. Hoary bats hunt by flying over water. More than eight species of bats used to live in Maine. But as I hope most folks realize, our bat species have plummeted.

Ninety-five percent of our bats have succumbed to white nose syndrome, the common name for a fungus found growing on the noses and wings of affected bats which thrives in cool moist places like caves or mines where many species roost or hibernate. Of the three known hibernacula (caves) in Maine one is found in Milton plantation. The remaining populations of bats, already threatened by backyard use of pesticides, habitat loss, the nine existing Spruce Mountain Wind Towers (Woodstock), are also threatened by yet another set of proposed wind towers in Milton.

All wind towers kill these mammals directly by blunt force trauma, or by having their lungs rupture as bats fly from an area of high pressure into one of low pressure caused by the vortex of the wind turbine. And as the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW) states "an inherent feature of hibernacula is that they are areas of localized focal activity. As the animals move in and out of the cave, there is further risk of mortality." Both migratory and resident bats are negatively impacted because the wind towers are so close to roosting/hibernating sites.

There is increasing evidence that bats are particularly at risk during both breeding season and migration. Unfortunately bats are attracted to the slow moving wind turbines but no one is sure why.

Maine's five species of cave bats spend their winters together hibernating in large groups in caves or mines. Maine also has three species of tree bats. These bats roost and have their pups (all bats usually have just one pup) under the bark, in the cracks, crevices and cavities of older trees, and occasionally they inhabit human structures.

Contrary to popular belief none of our bats suck blood.

One of the barriers to helping our bats is that we don't know much about where they are or what they do. We need a lot more research to be done on bats before any more wind towers are considered.

We do know that bats have been around in their present form for at least 50 million years which suggests to me that they adapted to changing environments quite effectively up until now. Approximately 1100 species have been identified throughout the world. Bats are distributed on every continent except Antarctica and are found on most islands. An overwhelming number of these flying mammals live in tropical regions. On my trips to the Peruvian jungle I stuck my head into every hollow tree I came upon in the forest and saw roosting bats of all kinds!

Adult bats range in weight from 0.07 ounces with a wing span of about 4 inches to those weighing over 2.2 pounds and having a wing span of nearly 6 feet! The skeletal features of bats are comparable to that of humans. Bat bones are delicate and the bones of the wings are lengthened to provide support for wing membranes. A highly resilient double membrane stretches between the elongated fingers, attaches to the side of the body, and extends to the ankle.

Many bats are gregarious creatures that may seek daytime shelter. Bats do not build nests, instead when they rest most cling to walls or ceilings of caves, mines, and human structures using their hind feet. Their wings are folded next to their bodies. Bats that roost in small crevices commonly assume a horizontal posture.

Most of Maine's bats breed early in the fall or winter at their hibernation site. Females store sperm until the following spring when fertilization takes place after the bats rouse from hibernation (de-

layed implantation). The majority of female bats give birth during a two to three week period in early summer when there is an abundance of food. Females suckle their young with milk and weaning usually occurs at the age of four to six weeks. The young are raised in nursery colonies occupied only by breeding females and their young. Most bats grow rapidly and by the time they are weaned they have reached 90 percent of their adult weight. It is very important not to disturb a maternity colony in the late spring in when the young are flightless. Panicked females may abandon their young or drop them to their deaths. Female bats often return to the place of their birth, year after year to breed. Besides humans, bats have few predators. Hawks, owls, house cats, and raccoons are potential threats.

From my point of view the most fascinating thing bats do is to use echolocation (biosonar) to find food. Echolocation allows bats to navigate in total darkness and to detect and capture insects etc. on the wing. In order to perform this feat many bats have evolved specialized facial structures and bizarre looking ears designed for sound production and hearing. When hunting or flying in the dark bats produce pulses of high frequency sounds and can detect the echoes returning from moving or stationary objects. The ears of bats can hear both emitted sounds and their echoes. The auditory system of these echolocating bats (a few do not use this technique) has thousands of parallel channels - auditory receptors and associated neurons - tuned to different frequencies. The bat determines distance by storing the valley of discharges representing the emission and then comparing it with the pattern formed upon the reception of the echo. Bats will fly from a half a mile to six miles from their roost to a feeding site each evening.

Bats typically seek shelter in roosts during the daytime and are active at night, departing roosts shortly after sunset and returning before sunrise. The timing of nightly departure and return is closely synchronized with light levels and is associated with seasonal changes in day length. One or more feeding periods may occur during the night depending on food availability and the temperature of the night air. Moonlight appears to influence the nightly activity of some species.

In late summer and early autumn some bats migrate to warmer climates, oth-

ers make short distance migrations from their summer homes to caves where they hibernate. They survive hibernation by putting on enough fat, and if disturbed may use up too much energy to survive the winter. During hibernation the body temperature of a bat decreases and the heart rate may slow to 20 times per minute in contrast to 600 beats a minute during normal activity. Although many bats migrate at night there are also various reports of migratory flocks being observed during daylight hours.

Myths about bats are found in many cultures. The ancient Egyptians hung bats over their doorways of their homes to prevent the entry of entities that carried diseases. The Chinese associate bats with happiness, and mothers' sewed small jade buttons in the shape of a bat on the caps of their babies to insure a long life. Bat gods were very important to many pre-Columbian cultures in Central America. The association of bats with the legend of human vampires has an uncertain origin but since the time of Cortez and his conquistadors people of western civilization have linked bats to human vampires of Transylvania. I suspect that the idea that bats are associated with evil, death, and ghosts has its roots in Christianity, which splits good and evil into opposites and attributes very negative qualities to any creatures of the night. Meso-American Indigenous peoples, after being forced to adapt to Christianity began to associate bats with death, darkness and the underworld. And in South America where a tiny bat that sucks animal blood actually exists (it rarely bothers humans), Indigenous peoples supposedly fear vampire bats. My own experience in South America does not support this idea. The Indians I worked with as a researcher were intrigued by the many species of bats and pointed them out to me whenever they had the chance to do so. My favorite pastime was to go out on the Amazon in a dugout canoe at dusk to watch the bats displaying their aerial dances as they hunted insects and beetles for their dinner.

In a population of 50,000 thousand bats it is estimated the group can consume more than 13 tons of insects in one summer. We desperately need our bats to return to their former numbers. Let's help them by refusing to support the building of wind turbines in Milton.

Celebration Barn Theater to present "Early Evening Show: and "Storybox"

Celebration Barn Theater will present two shows during the weekend of Aug. 5-6: Mike Miclon's "Early Evening Show" and Jeff Wirth's "StoryBox."

On Friday, Aug. 5 at 8 p.m., NYC writer/director Jeff Wirth returns to Celebration Barn with a new playful, audience-driven adventure. "StoryBox" is a new kind of stage for interactive performance where audience participants join inter-actors as co-creators of improvised stories. Audience members may choose to

play or to sit back and enjoy the show as usual. Either way, it's unlike anything you've seen before.

Then, on Saturday, Aug. 6 at 8 p.m., Mike Miclon will present the Olympic-themed edition of Maine's longest running variety show, "The Early Evening Show" featuring special guests Jan Damm and Arielle Ebacher.

Arielle and Jan will perform an eccentric bottle-walking act that blends dance, manipulation, equilibrium, and acrobat-

ics. Jan is fresh off of performing in New York as the lead character in *Cirque Mechanics*. "Pedal Punk" last fall and has appeared on the Late Show with David Letterman.

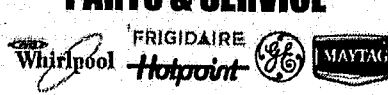
"The Early Evening Show," a spoof of late-night talk shows, has been performed from Maine to Switzerland and built its reputation with a 14-year run at the Oddfellow Theater in Buckfield.

Tickets to see Mike Miclon's "Early Evening Show" and Jeff Wirth's "StoryBox"

are available for \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors (60+), and \$8 for kids (17 and under). All tickets are general admission; members receive priority seating. Lobby and concessions open at 7 p.m. Purchasing tickets in advance is strongly recommended.

To purchase tickets or find more information, visit www.CelebrationBarn.com or call (207) 743-8452. Celebration Barn Theater is located just off Route 117 at 190 Stock Farm Road in South Paris.

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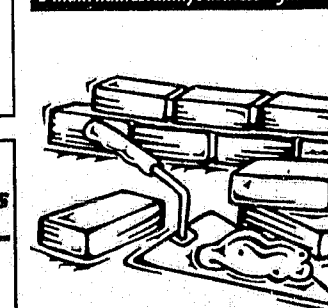
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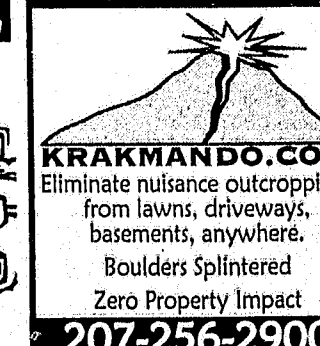
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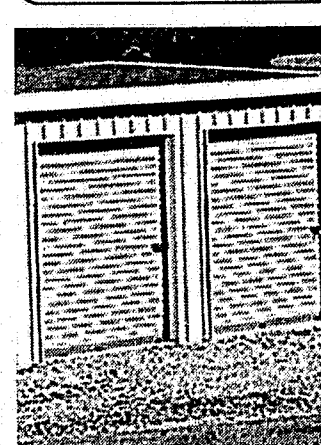
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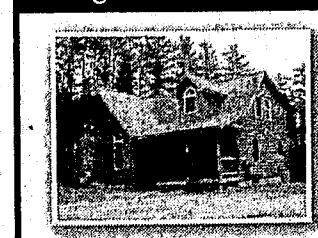
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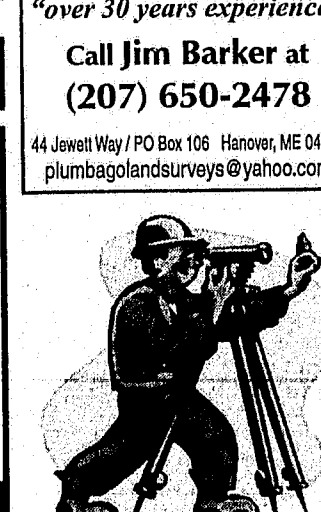


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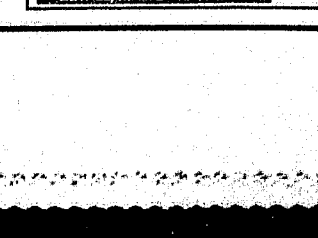
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Obituaries



SYLVIA A.D. CLANTON

Sylvia Anne Dyke Clanton of Newry, Maine, passed away peacefully on July 29, 2016 at the tender age of 80.

Sylvia was born Feb. 25, 1936 in Barrington, New Jersey to Sidney A. and Verna Berry Dyke. Growing up an "Air Force brat," Sylvia lived all over the world with her mother and father, an Air Force pilot. After graduating from Simmons College in Boston, Mass., Sylvia was commissioned a Lieutenant in the United States Air Force by her father. It was during her 7-1/2 years in the Air Force she met the love of her life, Norman, also an Air Force officer.

In 1965, with the birth of her first child, Sylvia left military service to devote the full measure of her limitless energy and capacity for caring to her new role as mother. By 1969, Sylvia was caring for three children and praying daily for the safety of their father, at that time serving the nation in Southeast Asia. Following Norman's retirement from the Air Force in 1981, the whole family resettled to the Bethel area.

During the 35 years since returning to Bethel, Sylvia has been an active and prominent member of the local community, serving as Trustee of the Bethel Historical Society, Chaplain of the American Legion Post 81, a member of the Bethel United Methodist Church, and a proud lifetime member of Women In Military Service of America (WIMSA). As a former US Air Force officer, devoted wife of 53 years, mother of three, and supporter of countless volunteer and public service enterprises, Sylvia embodied everything that is right about America. Her passing leaves a hole in our community that can never be filled, and she will be deeply missed by her many friends and

family. She is survived by husband, Norman; son, Mark, daughter-in-law, Setsuko, and grandson, Shintaro; beloved daughter, Lisa and son-in-law, Gabriel; son, Keith, daughter-in-law, Vera, and granddaughters, Vivienne and Margot; brother, Sidney; and brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Will and Dee Ulrich.

Sylvia would insist that we thank all the members of "the Berry Patch" and everyone in the Bethel and Newry communities who have done so much to support her family over the years and particularly during this difficult time.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, at 176 Lone Pine Road in Newry.

Donations may be made in Sylvia's memory to Steven's Memorial Hospital, the Bethel Historical Society, and the Bethel United Methodist Church. Condolences can be expressed at www.chandlerfunerals.com



JACQUELINE L. VAN LEUVEN

Jacqueline Lenore Van Leuven (Chapman) passed away at the age of 82 on July 22, 2016. Born in Ware Mass. on June 9, 1934 to Elizabeth Georgianna Chapman (Jones-Henry) and John William Chapman, she was the eldest of two siblings. Jackie spent her childhood years in Massachusetts, graduating from Milton Academy in 1952. She received her bachelor's degree in fashion design from The Rhode Island School of Design in 1956. After graduation, she married Robert George Van Leuven in 1956 and they raised their three children in Massachusetts until Jackie moved to Maine in 1998.

Jackie worked in the fashion design industry throughout her entire career. After staying at home to care for her young children, she began her career at Lowell Lingerie in 1970, staying until the close of that business in the early 1990's. Her next venture was to become a designer for Custom Clothing Technology/Levi Strauss which was, at that time, an entrepreneurial business that designed custom fit jeans. She was very proud of this achievement.

After her husband passed away in 1995, she became attracted to Maine and the peaceful life that Bethel had to offer. In 1996, she purchased her home on Chapman Street, making it her year round home in 1998, moving during the famous ice storm of that year.

Jackie was diagnosed with Type I Diabetes at the age of 9. Her lifestyle and vigilance in managing this disease caused her to outlive her life expectancy by almost 40 years. Her illness did not deter her from experiencing life to its fullest. She had three children at a time when this was not advised for someone with Diabetes and was able to experience a full life in which she participated in many activities. She was able to travel and enjoyed trips overseas as a child and an adult.

Jackie considered Bethel to be her home. In 2015, she moved to Huntington Common, an assisted living facility in Kennebunk Maine. While she was able to make friends there, she missed her life in Bethel and one of her last wishes was to be brought back to Bethel to make it her final resting place.

Jackie is survived by three children. A daughter Heidi Van Leuven, a second daughter, Juliana Collins (Van Leuven) and a son Christopher Grant Van Leuven. She is also survived by a son in law, Richard James Collins and a sister Jayden Victoria Irons and her husband, Ken. She had three grandchildren, Matthew Thomas Collins, Erin Elizabeth Cooley and her husband John Cooley and Terrence James Collins and his wife Jaime Collins. Jackie was great grandmother to three great-granddaughters, Idella Elizabeth Cooley, Madelyn Rose Cooley and Aubrey Lynn Collins. She leaves behind a very dear friend of almost 70 years, Marlene Engdahl. She was predeceased by her parents, her husband Bob Van Leuven and her grandson, Matthew Collins.

A service celebrating Jackie's life will be held at the West Paris Congregational Church in Bethel on Saturday, Aug. 6, 2016 at 2 p.m. Interment will be private and held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Joslin Diabetes Center 1 Joslin Place Boston, MA 02215.



BARRY CORRIVEAU

Barry Corriveau passed away unexpectedly on July 25, 2016.

Barry was born in Rumford, Maine March 13, 1962. He was raised in Locke Mills/Bethel area and lived in Sumner with his wife Linda, where they raised their children and spent quality time with family and friends. His grandchildren were

the love of his life.

Barry was predeceased by his father, Lauriat, and mother, Cleo Corriveau of Locke Mills.

Barry worked a majority of his life at International Paper/Verso paper for 29 years before getting done to pursue a career in truck driving. Barry loved hunting and fishing. He loved to take vacations with his family. He enjoyed having quality family time.

Barry is survived by his wife, Linda Corriveau, of Sumner, son Spencer Cooper of Lewiston, daughter Athelie Danforth and her husband Jeremy, his son Stephen Tyler, and his fiancé Rebecca of Flora, Indiana, daughter Amber Cooper and her fiancé Ian Benson of Greene, his grandchildren Amaya and Linnea Cooper of Greene, and Tyler, Tanya and Colby of Flora Indiana, and a bunch of friends.

Celebration of life/stories of him will be held Aug. 6 at 1 p.m. at the West Sumner Universal Church in Sumner.

Graveside will be held Aug. 14 at the West Bethel Cemetery at 2 p.m.

Arrangements are in the care of Chandler Funeral Homes and Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris.

Memorial service

MURIEL BUTTERS

A memorial service will be held to honor the life of Muriel Butters on Sunday, Aug. 7 at 2 p.m. in the Methodist Church on Main Street.

Age-Friendly Community news

Workout 24-7, the gym on Parkway Road, is a very senior-friendly facility, and you will often find seniors on a machine (one rowing machine, three treadmills, three ellipticals, and three bikes). You may also purchase the services of a personal trainer. In addition to the machine room and power training room, they have just expanded to allow for a new stretch and toning room (a good room for working with a trainer). Senior prices are very reasonable: \$10 a month, \$25 for 3 months, \$100 for a year. FMI: 824-4766, <http://workout24-7bethelmaine.com>.

Another exercise option: In a collaboration between the Age-Friendly Community Initiative and the Recreation Board, Gould Academy has offered the use of the Bingham Gymnasium to area residents over 50. Responses to the following questions will help them in their planning. Please contact either of the following with your thoughts - and let your friends know of this opportunity: Recreation Director, Sarah Tucker (824-2669, recreation-director@bethelmaine.org) OR Jackie Cressy (824-0508, rivendellhousebnb@me.com).

1. What activities would you be interested in? (Pickleball, basketball, Qi Gong exercises, a place to walk briskly when the streets and sidewalks are icy, other.)

2. What time of day would you be most likely to use the gymnasium? (Morning, afternoon, early evening.)

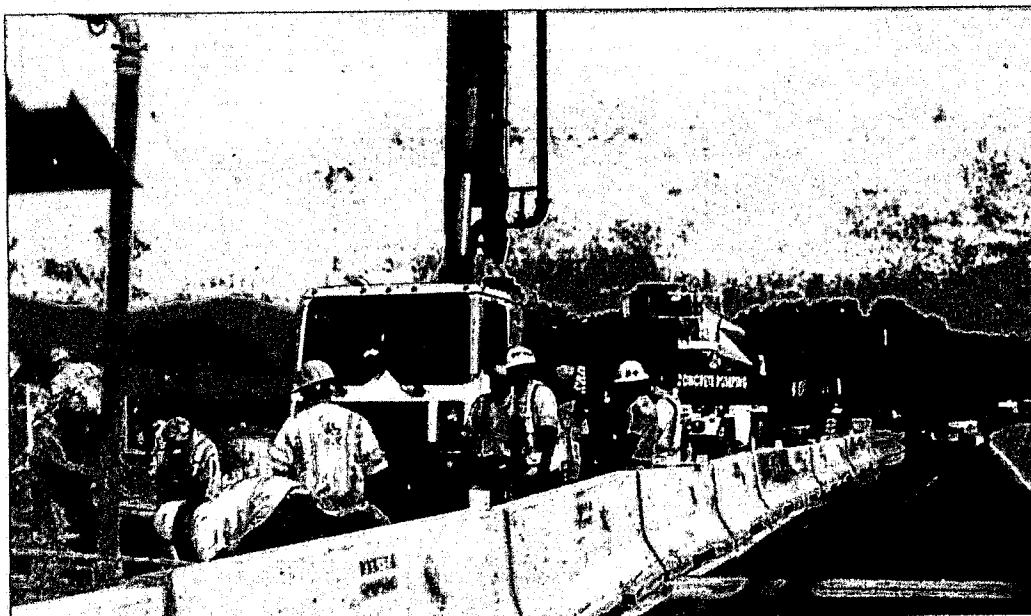
3. Would you be interested in leading/coordinating an activity? (The Recreation Director would handle registrations, but we would need someone to be responsible for opening and closing the gym for any particular activity.)

Roxbury Pond volunteers attend annual conference

On July 30, Christine and Ross Swain attended the annual conference of the Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (MVLMP). Christine and Ross are the MVLMP monitors for Roxbury Pond, aka Ellis Pond, aka Silver Lake in Roxbury and Byron. The conference was held at The Great Outdoors on Pleasant Pond in Turner.

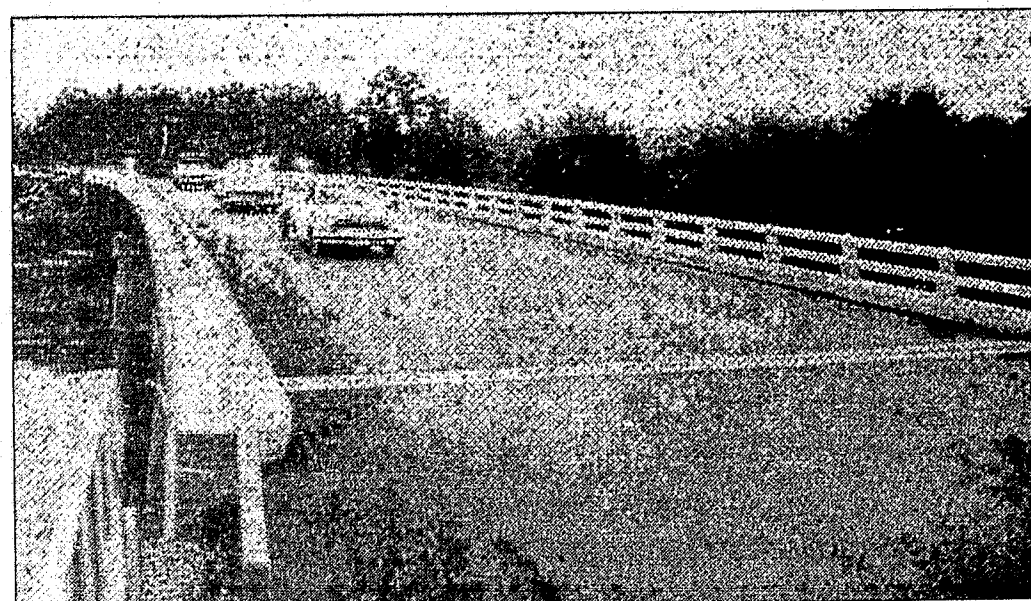
According to the MVLMP's web site, "Formed in 1971, Maine's VMLP is the longest-standing state-wide citizen lake monitoring program in the U.S., as well as one of the largest, with more than 1,200 active volunteers monitoring more than 500 lakes statewide. Many of our volunteers have continuously monitored the health of their lake for a quarter century, or more. The VMLP has been nationally recognized for efficiency and effectiveness in training and supporting citizen lake monitors. Much of what is known about Maine's lakes and ponds is the result of years of dedicated effort by our volunteers." For more info go to www.mainevlmp.org/.

The Andro bridge, then and now



Concrete was poured last week on the Androscoggin River bridge project in Bethel.

D. Bennett



This photo from the Aug. 31, 1967 Bethel Citizen shows traffic going across the "new" Androscoggin River Bridge on Route 2 - the same bridge that is currently undergoing improvements. When built in 1967 by Callahan Bros. of Mechanic Falls, the bridge cost \$498,256. The subcontractor for .558 mile of approaches was P.H. Chadbourne and Co. of Bethel, according to the Citizen.

In Memoriam
Melissa S. Sylvester
5/22/70 - 8/5/06

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